



Charles Wilson Burns

August 27, 2009

Coleman Funeral Home of Oxford

Charles Wilson “Charlie” Burns, age 60, died Thursday, August 27, 2009, at the Sanctuary Hospice House in Tupelo, MS.

Born in Kosciusko, MS, he had lived in the Oxford area for 37 years. Mr. Burns was a veteran of the U.S. Marine Corps who served in Vietnam. He was a lieutenant with the Oxford Police Department where he worked for 15 years. While working at the Oxford Police Department, he was honored as the City of Oxford, Lafayette County Law Enforcement Officer of the year in 1985. He also worked for 6 years with the Lafayette County Sheriff’s Department as a deputy sheriff ending as chief deputy. He began work with the State of Mississippi Department of Insurance and retired in 2005 as the Deputy State Fire Marshal. Mr. Burns was a 32nd degree Mason and a member of Calvary Baptist Church in Oxford.

Visitation will be held Friday, August 28, 2009, 5:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m. at Coleman Funeral Home. Funeral services will be held Saturday, August 29, 2009, at 1:00 p.m. in the Coleman Funeral Home Chapel with Bro. Shannon Davis officiating. Interment will be in the Anchor Cemetery, Hwy. 7 South, Oxford, MS. Coleman Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Survivors include his wife of 37 years, Kay Harwell Burns of Oxford, MS; a son, Jason (Kristi) Burns of Oxford, MS; two brothers, Mickey Burns of Ethel, MS and Percy Burns of Kosciusko, MS; one grandchild, Julie Ann Moore.

His parents, Walter and Mary Nell Burns, and a brother, David Burns, preceded him in death.

Memorials may be made to the Sanctuary Hospice House, P.O. Box 2177, Tupelo, MS 38803.