



Jeff Earl Cameron

April 16, 2016

Jeffrey Earl Cameron, all-around good guy, passed away at home in Prescott Valley, Arizona of natural causes on Saturday, April 16th, 2016. A visitation will be held on Sunday, April 24th from 4 pm to 7 pm at H.K. Holland Memorial Chapel, 216 S. Norma Ridgecrest, CA. Another visitation will be held at Mission Family Mortuary, 531 California Ave Bakersfield, CA on Monday April 25th from 4 pm to 9 pm. A graveside service will be held on April 26 at 2:30 pm at Bakersfield National Cemetery in Arvin, California. Jeff Cameron is survived by his wife of 5 years, Holly Rose Cameron, Prescott Valley, Daughter Cierra Jean Cameron, Ridgecrest, Son Dakota James Cameron, Bakersfield, and Son Jeffrey Earl Cameron II, Bakersfield. He also had seven grandchildren. Jeff was preceded in death by his brother, James "Rocky" Cameron in 2014. Jeff was born in St. Paul, Minnesota to Francis Eugene Cameron and Doris Mae Deppe on August 29th, 1959. Jeff graduated from Custer South Dakota High School in 1977 and enlisted in the United States Army at 17 years old after tricking his father into signing his consent to enlist. After being honorably discharged from the army in 1980, Jeff went on to work on oil rigs and playing music in the Western United States. Jeff moved to Ridgecrest where he began working at Holland & Lyons Mortuary in August of 1982. Jeff attended Cypress College and received a degree in mortuary science in 1985. He worked as a funeral director and embalmer for 12 years. In addition, he completed the sheriff academy in Ridgecrest, and was a reserve deputy for many years. Jeff served the citizens of Kern County as a

Deputy Coroner at the Kern County Sheriff's Department from October of 1995 and retired October 16th, 2015. Throughout all of this time, you could find Jeff playing gigs with his trusty bass and inappropriate guitar strap serenading all those who could hear him. His talent for music was well established; he was a cofounder of the Western Connection band with longtime friend, Orrie Griswold. He and wife, Holly Rose, fulfilled his dream of retiring out of California when they moved to Prescott Valley, Arizona. Jeff quickly made friends in the small town and became known as the one-man country band. Jeff was loved not only by his family but all those who came to know him. His love for music, motorcycles, law enforcement, and military created strong bonds with those he came into contact with. His sense of humor was known to make a few people blush and lighten any room. It was rare to find him without music playing and his riding vest on. If asked his description of a perfect day, he would be quick to tell you his favorite pastime was fishing with his wife and daughter. Whether at Lake Diaz with Cierra, since she was in a stroller, or Holly Rose at Bear Valley, you would find him with a huge grin. Jeff had such an ability to deal with people of all ages and types, especially in situations of extreme duress. He exhibited qualities of calmness and clear thinking when involved in emergency and crisis situations. Most of those who worked with him in a professional capacity would say that his presence was one of comfort. All of those who loved him knew he would drop everything to come to their aid. The loss of this amazing father, husband and friend will leave a hole in our hearts forever. The world's best fisherman, musician, comedian and motorcycle-enthusiast will be deeply missed. His family asks in lieu of wearing black to his services, please wear blue in honor of Jeff's favorite color. The family asks instead of flowers, that you donate to The National League of POW/MIA Families 5673 Columbia Pike Suite 100 Falls Church, VA 22041 in Jeff's honor. Arrangements made by Holland & Lyons Mortuary, 216 S. Norma St. Ridgecrest, Ca 93555 760-371-1376. Assisting Funeral Home, Mission Family Mortuary, 531 California Ave, Bakersfield, CA 93304 (661) 323-3339

Cemetery Details

Bakersfield National Cemetery

30338 East Bear Mountain Blvd
Arvin, CA 93203

Previous Events

Visitation

APR **24**. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (PT)

H.K. Holland Memorial Chapel
216 S. Norma
Ridgecrest, CA

Visitation

APR **25**. 4:00 PM - 9:00 PM (PT)

Mission Family Mortuary
531 California Ave
Bakersfield, CA 93304
1 (661) 323-3339
<https://missionfamilymortuary.com/>

Graveside

APR 26. 2:30 PM (PT)

Bakersfield National Cemetery
30338 E Bear Mountain Blvd
Arvin, CA 93203
(661) 867-2250

Tribute Wall

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“ *Michelle Van Rensselaer lit a candle in memory of Jeff Earl Cameron*



Michelle Van Rensselaer - April 22, 2016 at 03:15 PM



Malissa Mount

“ *Malissa Mount lit a candle in memory of Jeff Earl Cameron*



Malissa Mount - April 22, 2016 at 10:28 AM



“ *Jeff was one of a kind. I'll never forget him.*



Kenny Mount - April 22, 2016 at 09:24 AM