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STEVE DUNHAM

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Benton, Ill. Steve Dunham, 60, of Macedonia passed away at 3:51 a.m. Sunday, Sept. 19, 2010, in St. Mary's Good Samaritan Hospital in Mt. Vernon.

Visitation will be from 6 to 8 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 21, at Harre Funeral Home in McLeansboro. Funeral services begin at 11 a.m. Wednesday at the funeral home, with the Rev. Roger Webb officiating. Burial will be in the Macedonia Cemetery.

He was born Dec. 31, 1949, in Christopher, the son of Ralph Dunham and Virginia (Huff) Dunham.

He married Mary Nell (Simmons) Dunham on July 2, 1983, in Mounds.

Mr. Dunham was a coal miner for Old Ben 26 Mine in Sesser. He loved his farm and horses, but most of all he loved his grandchildren. He was a member of the UMWA. Mr. Dunham served in the Vietnam War as a private first class with the U.S. Marine Corps.

Survivors include his wife, Mary; two daughters, Karla Dunham of West Frankfort and Shanna Pearson of Sesser; two sons, Bill Dunham and wife, Charity, of Macedonia and Jason Woolard and wife, Judy, of Johnston City; a brother, Ralph Bennett Dunham of Nashville, Tenn.; a sister, Donna Mae Scott and husband, Carl, of Jacksonville, Fla.; and eight grandchildren, Rachel Shearlock, Ciera Dunham, Alex Pearson, Darris Wooley, Max Pearson, Wyn Duran, Hannah Woolard and Ocean Dunham.

Mr. Dunham was preceded in death by his parents.

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