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Earl Nathan Clontz, 60, a resident of Gooding, Idaho, passed away Monday, December 9, 2002, at his residence.

Earl was born August 3, 1942, in Twin Falls, Idaho, the son of Earl T. and Rose (Rejda) Clontz. He married Marti Sloan in Colorado on January 15, 1966. They moved to Nampa, Idaho, where Earl attended Barber School in Boise. Their son Nat was born in Nampa in December 1968, and the next year they were recruited by Ray and Golda Watkins to move to Gooding. He barbered with John Braga for several years. Earl worked in pipeline construction in Wyoming for a couple of years before returning to Gooding to open his own barber shop. Earl operated "The Hair-Cut" out of the Gooding Hotel for a short time, before moving to 520 Main Street for 10 years and spending another 6 years at 115 3rd Avenue East, his present location. Earl met Elizabeth Passmore Estes socially in Boise, and they attended church meetings in the Boise Campus together. They were married November 22, 1986, in Gooding by the Rev. Harold Hake. Earl welcomed Elizabeth's two children, Sue and Chuck Estes, as members of his family. Elizabeth became manager of the Gooding Senior Center 10 years ago. Earl loved to travel, so he and Elizabeth enjoyed traveling in their van to many places in the 16 years they have been married. He also was a strong supporter of the Senior Center and loved to play cards, pool and games with friends.

He is survived by his wife, Elizabeth, and their children, Nat (Shannon) Clontz, Paul (Cynthia) Clontz, Sue Estes, and Chuck (Lisa) Estes and their daughter Victoria. Also surviving are siblings Alvin (Shirley) Hill of Gooding, Idaho, Merle (Bev) Hill of Richfield, Idaho, Loretta Hill (Kent) Kirk of Payette, Idaho, and Rozella (McCauley) McClary of Airway Heights, Washington. Also Betty Clontz (widow of Paul Clontz) and many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his father, Earl T. Clontz, mother Rose (Rejda) Hill Clontz McCauley, and half brother Paul Clontz.

Memorial services will be held at 2 p.m. Friday, December 13, 2002, at Gooding Methodist Church with the Rev. Mike Gregor officiating. Memorials may be made to a charity of your choice.