

Tecumseh , NE

Donald Lee Finney, 70, of Tecumseh, passed away at his home from complications of COPD, heart disease, diabetes and Agent Orange on Friday, September 27, 2019. He was born to Myron and Dorothy (Montgomery) Finney on December 13, 1948 at Pawnee City, Nebraska.

He attended school at Summerfield, Kansas as well as military school in Salina, Kansas. Don drove truck for Bowhay Truckline before being drafted in the U. S. Army on June 25, 1968. He spent a year in Vietnam and after his active duty was over he served in the Army Reserves until his discharge June 25, 1974.

He was united in marriage to Linda Sue Schmiegelow on April 17, 1974 in Tecumseh, Nebraska. The couple made their home in Tecumseh where they raised their family. Don was an over the road trucker for most of his life. He worked with Studers, for Greg Gee, Dallas Bowhay and finally for Bob Kuhl and Kuhl Carriers and Trenching. He loved trucking and made many long time friends over the years. Don was somewhat of a legend in the trucking business. His favorite truck he drove was Greg Gee's "Maybelline." He earned several nicknames over the years, "Sarge", "Chops" and "Finney" from his trucking buddies. He enjoyed taking his daughters on his shorter road trips, Sunday drives and family vacations. Don had a really good sense of humor and enjoyed scaring friends and family. Don loved to really embarrass Kim and Tonya. He looked forward to his trips to Texas when Tonya was in Dallas and going to shoot pool. In his spare time Don enjoyed coyote hunting, family time, which included shining the chrome on his truck and riding his motorcycle. He was a neat freak about keeping his truck immaculate. His grandchildren and nieces and nephews all meant the world to him. He loved letting his grandchildren get up and drive his tractors. Don will be deeply missed by his loving family and friends.

He is survived by his wife Linda Finney of Tecumseh, daughter, Tonya Finney Eubanks of Summerfield, KS and significant other Jarrod Behrends, son, Brian Finney of Lincoln, grandchildren, Anderson and Piper Eubanks, sister, Anna Mae Lambert of Pawnee City, brother, David Yockel and wife Nancy of Bethany, OK, nieces, nephews and many friends.

Don was preceded in death by his parents, daughter, Kimberly Finney, nephew, Tony Carmine, niece, Lisa Lambert, brother-in-law, Allen Schmiegelow, and parents-in-law, Carl and Mae Schmiegelow.

Funeral services will be held at 1:00 p.m. Thursday, October 3, 2019 at the Wherry Mortuary in Tecumseh, Nebraska with Rev. Hugh Giesbrecht officiating.

Visitation will be held from 9:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m, with family greeting friends from 5-7 p.m. Wednesday, October 2, 2019 at the Wherry Mortuary in Tecumseh, Nebraska.

Memorials may go to the family's choice.

Interment will be in the Tecumseh Cemetery, Tecumseh, Nebraska with full military honors by

the Nebraska National Guard Funeral Honors Team and the Tecumseh American Legion and VFW Posts.

Online condolences may be left @ [www.wherrymortuary.com](http://www.wherrymortuary.com).