



## Jimmy "Jim" A. Flaming

May 29, 1944 - June 22, 2020

On Monday, June 22, 2020 Jimmy (Jim) Allen Flaming passed away at his home on Crooked River Ranch, Oregon at the age of 76. He was born on May 29, 1944 in Reedley, California to Herman and Marie (Huebert) Flaming. He grew up on the farm and lived in Fresno, California; Dallas, Oregon; and the Treasure Valley in Idaho. As a young adult he moved to Royal Slope near Othello, Washington and started farming on his own.

Farming was Jim's passion, he loved raising alfalfa and row crops such as dry beans and corn. He would go out to the field a few days after he planted, and dig up some seeds to see if they were sprouting. He also claimed that he could hear corn growing on a good hot summer day. He won several awards for best quality and best yields from his pinto bean crops. He was a good welder and was great at fabricating what he needed for the job at hand. He rarely needed to take anything to a mechanic because he could fix almost anything himself.

Even though he grew up in church, it wasn't until he was age 24 that he realized he was a sinner and needed to personally get right with God. He accepted Jesus Christ as his Savior and was later baptized on September 5, 1971. The church was always a big part of his life and he served as usher and/or deacon at several different churches. He also helped with many workdays and did a lot of maintenance that needed to be done. He was

currently helping with the start of Twin Rivers Community Church on Crooked River Ranch and was hoping to see the church building constructed.

On August 23, 1975 Jim married Ferne (Horst) Flaming and they raised two sons. He appreciated the outdoors and liked taking the family camping when they could get away for a few days. The family moved to Vale, Oregon and farmed there until the boys left home. Jim and Ferne moved to Burns, Oregon in 2007, and in 2012 they moved to Crooked River Ranch, Oregon to be closer to their children and grandchildren. After he quit farming his garden was his "farm" and he always enjoyed taking care of the yard. He loved being outside and he spent his last day on earth sitting out by the garden.

Jim was preceded in death by his parents, three brothers and one sister. He is survived by his wife Ferne, son Dean and wife Deborah, son Allen, seven grandchildren, his sister Kaye, numerous In-Laws, nieces and nephews, cousins and their families. The family wants to give special thanks to the extended family and friends who have been so supportive during Jim's fight with heart disease, and especially to Hospice of Redmond who gave so much help.

A Celebration of Life is planned for 11:00 AM, Saturday, August 15th, 2020 at Highland Baptist Church, Redmond, Oregon. Memorial Contributions may be made to Twin Rivers Community Church Building Fund. Arrangements entrusted to Redmond Memorial Chapel.