



## Roger Rutledge

December 2, 1945 - December 11, 2007

Roger Rutledge of Philomath passed away Tuesday at the age of 62 with his family at his side.

He was born Dec. 2, 1945, in Ellensburg, Wash., and grew up in Drain. He graduated from Drain High School, and attended Southern Oregon College for three years. While attending school in Ashland, he met his wife, Mindy, and they were married on June 15, 1968. He was a veteran of the United States Army, including service during the Vietnam War from 1969 to 1971.

He had several jobs in Ashland and Medford before starting with the Oregon Employment Department in 1981. He was promoted to office manager in Baker City, where he lived for two years before transferring to Klamath Falls. He and his family lived in Klamath Falls for 17 years. Shortly after a promotion to regional manager, he and his wife moved to Philomath in 2005.

Roger enjoyed many things in life, most notably his family — especially his four grandchildren. He was also an avid outdoorsman, and enjoyed deer hunting and fishing with his two sons, and most recently a grandson. He also enjoyed the many new friendships he had made since attending Living Faith Community Church in Philomath, where he was baptized earlier this year.

He is survived by numerous relatives, including his wife, Mindy; sons and their wives, Aaron and Krystal of Philomath and Darin and Kathryn of Klamath Falls; grandchildren Jeffrey (14), Emily (9), Abby (6) and JJ (4); sister Alice Edmundson of Drain; and numerous other relatives. He was preceded in death by his mother, Ethel, and his father, Bill.

A memorial service, hosted by Living Faith Community Church, will be held at 2 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 29, at College United Methodist Church, 1123 Main St., Philomath. Those wishing to honor his memory can send flowers to the memorial service, or make a contribution to Living Faith Community Church, P.O. Box 824, Philomath, OR 97370.