



James Shipley

September 12, 1943 - May 7, 2011

James D. Shipley, 67 of Orleans died Saturday at Good Samaritan Hospital in Kearney. Memorials services will be held at a later date. Online condolences may be submitted to osafh.com. O'Brien Straatmann Funeral Home in Kearney is in charge of arrangements. He was born on September 12, 1943 in Detroit, MI to Charles and Lucille (Girard) Shipley. He grew up in Detroit and Ann Arbor, MI. He attended school and graduated from high school in Detroit. He moved to Colorado for a time before moving to Alaska and worked as a smoke jumper. During this time he also traveled all over the world. He settled down in Fairbanks, Alaska and worked for the Teamster Union and worked in various jobs including the Alaskan Pipeline. He retired in 1991. He was a member of the Teamsters Union Local 959 and was a merchant marine. Survivors include sons, Daniel of Lopez Island, WA and Charles of Orleans, mother of Hendersonville, NC, sisters, Dawn Bartholic of Hendersonville, NC, Linell McCrum of Sand Point, ID and Sally of Lopez, Island, WA and one grandson. He was preceded in death by father.

Tribute Wall



“ *James Shipley*

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