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12/10/2012 - John Michael Reading

John Michael Reading of Blackfoot, Idaho passed away Wednesday, December 5, 2012 at his home. He was 62 years old.

John was born April 20, 1950 in Chadron, NE to John and Betty Feldhausen Reading. John graduated from the Assumption Academy in 1969 and went on to study at Chadron State College, graduating in 1973 with a bachelor's degree in business.

John married Kay Maire Larsen on July 7, 1973 in Rexburg, Idaho. After their marriage they lived in Alliance, Nebraska and Pocatello, Idaho before settling in Blackfoot in 1977. Their marriage was solemnized in the Salt Lake City Temple on March 17, 1979.

John was an active member of The church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints. He served in the Branch Presidency of the Young Single Adult Branch, Elders Quorum President, High Priest Group Leader, High Counselor in the Stake and as Ward Mission Leader.

He was employed at Basic American Foods for over 30 years. His work prior to that he was with Bucyrus-Erie in Pocatello and Electric Hose and Rubber in Alliance, NE.

His children and grandchildren gave him the most enjoyment in his life. But John also enjoyed backpacking, gardening, fishing, and hunting and loved being outdoors. He was a member of the Cedar Hills Gun Club and enjoyed watching sports, especially Nebraska football.

John loved his family and spending his time with them and they loved him. He will be greatly missed.

He is survived by his wife, Kay; children Jeff (Michelle) Reading of Clinton, UT; Jason (Desiree) Reading of Jerome, ID; Clint (Jill) Reading of Cheyenne, WY; Kimberly Reading of Jackson, WY; Kristy (Matthew) Rust of Pocatello, ID; his mother Betty Reading of Chadron, NE; brother, Steve (Arlene) Reading of Atlanta, GA; sister, Joanne Schulte of Rogers, MN and ten grandchildren.

He was precede in death by his father, John William Reading.

A Funeral service will be Monday, December 10, 2012 at 11:00 AM at Blackfoot 3rd Ward Chapel with Bishop Richard Fowers conducting. The family will meet with friends and relatives from 6-8:00 PM on Sunday, December 9, 2012 at Hawker Funeral Home and again for one hour prior to the service at the church. Interment will be in the Darby Cemetery in Driggs, ID.

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In lieu of flowers the family suggests donations be made to Kay Reading for the John Reading Memorial Fun. Westmark Federal Credit Union, P.O. Box 806, Blackfoot, ID 83221.

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