

Grapeland Messenger  
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## Gerald Francis Phillips Christ

Services for Gerald Francis Phillips Christ will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, August 13, 2005 in Pinesdale, Montana.

Mr. Christ was born May 27, 1931 in Albion, New York. He had presided in Grapeland since April 2004. Prior to that he lived in Pinesdale, Montana for 32 years. He served in the U.S. Air Force from 1951-1953. He re-enlisted in the U.S. Army in 1954 and was assigned in Germany with the Combat Engineers for three years. He left the Army in 1959 and re-enlisted in 1960 as a combat engineer, ending up in the Army Intelligence School at Fort Holabird, Md. In 1964 he was assigned in Viet Nam where he became a staff sergeant, then Warrant Officer in the Intelligence field. By late 1967 he was promoted to Chief Warrant Officer at Fort Bragg, NC where he was stationed until 1969. He left the Army after 16 years of service. He then joined the Montana Army National Guard in 1980 and retired from there in 1989 after 9 years service. He attended East Texas Tres Dias #11 in 2004 and was a member of Sunset Christian Church in

Grapeland.

He was preceded in death by former wife of 40 years, Ellen Mae Christ; mother and step-father, Alden and Thelma Green and father, Larry Christ.

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He is survived by his wife, Glenda (Dann) Christ of Grapeland; daughters and sons-in-law, Miriam & Steve Smith of Victor, Montana and Virginia and Robert Hinder of Ephraim, Utah; sons, Gerry Phillips and wife, Sara of London, England, Dell Phillips and wife, Chris of Lemhi, Utah, Doug Phillips and wife, Cindy of Missoula, Montana, Mark Christ and wife, Karen of Salt Lake City, Utah, Ben Christ and wife, Stacy of Fargo, North Dakota, Jarred Christ and wife, Keri of Great Falls, Montana; step-daughters, Rhonda Vasseur of LaCrescenta, California and Rebecca Smith of Wylie, Texas; 27 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

In lieu of flowers donations can be made to the Memorial Fund of Sunset Christian Church, Grapeland.

Family will receive condolence calls Wednesday, August 10 from 5 to 9 p.m.