

Alfred W. Turnipseed, age 71, passed away peacefully at his home in Broken Arrow, Oklahoma on March 2, 2019 after a battle with melanoma cancer.

Al was born in Traverse City, Michigan on July 1, 1947 to Murray and Vivian Turnipseed. He grew up on a farm in Kalkaska, Michigan. After graduation, he served in the U.S. Army and was a Vietnam War veteran. He started his career at Shell Pipeline Corporation, a job which allowed him to work and live in various states. He retired from Shell in 2004.

Al's biggest joys were hunting and fishing. He loved sports, especially college football. Al is survived by his wife, Cheryl, two daughters, Dorie Christian (Jeff), Deena Bilek (Chris), brother, Victor Turnipseed (Joan), and sister, Jeanne Catt (Glen). He leaves behind three grandchildren, Lauren and Evan Bilek, Tyler Christian, and several nieces and nephews. He is preceded in death by his parents, Murray and Vivian, brother (Chris) and granddaughter (Ryan Christian).

A celebration of life will be held at the Grand Traverse Resort in Traverse City on Saturday, April 6, 2019, from 2-6pm, with the service beginning at 3pm.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to MD Anderson Cancer Center or St. Jude Children's Research Hospital.

The following pictures are from the Celebration of Life held for Al on April 6<sup>th</sup>.





