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Services for Donnie Gerald "Snoopy" Merchant will be held at 10:00 a.m. on Monday, July 16, 2012, at Simpson Baptist Church, Simpson, Louisiana, with Sandra Hillman Wallace officiating. Interment will be at Pine Island Cemetery in Simpson under the direction of Labby Memorial Funeral Home.

Visitation will be held from 4:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m. Sunday and from 8:00 a.m. until time of service Monday at the church.

Donnie Gerald Merchant, 68, of Simpson passed away Thursday, July 12, 2012, at Baylor Medical Center in Dallas, Texas.

Donnie was born in Alexandria, Louisiana to J.Z. & LaVera Merchant. He attended Simpson High School and went on to play baseball for Northwestern State University. He was employed by the United States Postal Service and became the youngest postmaster in U.S. History at age 19. He retired as postmaster at Simpson after 30 years. Donnie was best known to his friends as "Snoopy" from his early dirt track racing years in Central Louisiana and won several state championships. He also enjoyed hunting and fishing.

He was preceded in death by his parents, J.Z. & LaVera Merchant; sister, Pattie Ruth Merchant and step-daughter, Ashley Nicole Cutts.

Those left to cherish his memory include his wife, Lisa Boswell Merchant of Simpson; two daughters, Tammy Merchant Standifer (Greg Standifer) of Simpson and Donna Busby Fairchild (William Fairchild) of Simpson; one son, Kenny Merchant (Wendy Merchant) of West Monroe; one step-son, Heath Cutts of Simpson; 7 grandchildren, Traci Standifer, Neil Standifer, Kyle Busby, Hope Merchant, Ben Merchant, Brayden Cutts and Skyler Cutts.



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Donnie by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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