



Leo Copeland Nation, Jr.

April 23, 1946 - May 29, 2018

Leo Copeland Nation Jr. 72, of Chandler, OK passed into the gates of heaven and into the arms of Jesus May 29, 2018 after a three year battle with lung cancer. He was lovingly surrounded by his wife and children. Leo was born April 23, 1946 in Flagstaff, AZ., to Leo Sr. and Edna Nation. Leo attended Highland High School in Albuquerque, NM and Eastern New Mexico University in Portales, NM. Leo was a Marine Corp Reservist, and a member of Phi Beta Lambda and Sigma Nu Fraternities. He married Debra Osburn May 31, 1969. Leo loved his family passionately and he loved to build things. He began working at a young age for his Dad at the family store, Mountain View Meat Market, where he quickly mastered the skill of meat cutting. His 50 year career included managing meat markets for Safeway and Homeland then expanded into merchandising the markets for various Homeland districts across Oklahoma. He developed a heart for mission work and always loved serving others. His charm, wit, kindness, and always gentlemanly personality will never be forgotten. Those who will miss Leo the most include his wife Debbie, son Jim Nation and daughter Kristin Morrison. His daughter-in-law Lisa Nation and son-in-law Steven Morrison. His five Grandchildren, Kailin, Jake, and Cori Morrison and Olivia and Andrew Nation. His three sisters, Lucinda Botkin of Cleburn, TX, Jerrikay Bittermann of Thornton, CO, and Karen Alwin of Albuquerque, NM. His stepmother Judy Nation, and step-sisters Darlene and Jeanne. A host of aunts, cousins, nieces, nephews and dear friends across the country also mourn his loss. A celebration of Leo's life will be held in the Chapel at Floral Haven Funeral Home, June 1, 2018, at 12:30 p.m. Leo's dear friend and pastor, Rick Blackwell of First Baptist Church in Chandler, OK will officiate. In lieu of flowers, friends and family are invited to contribute to the Leo Nation Mission Fund at First Baptist Church in Chandler, OK