

Emery Connor

Obituary



Emery Wade Connor, 42, son, loving husband, and caring father, was called home to be with his Savior Jesus Christ on April 17, 2014, after being the victim of a senseless act of violence perpetrated against him in Klamath Falls, Ore.

Mr. Connor was born Aug. 22, 1971, in Prescott, Ariz., to Thomas and Anne (Heiden) Connor. He was reared in Pensacola, Fla., where he was active in both Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts as a child, as well as in the First United Methodist Church, where for a time he served as an acolyte. He continued his love of scouting as an adult, as both Mr. Connor and his son were active in the Boy Scouts.

As an adult, Mr. Connor worked as a commercial master electrician in Pensacola. His work brought him for a period of time to Guantanamo Bay, Cuba. He opened and operated his own business, Connor Electrical Services, in 1995 while living in Fort Collins, Colo.

In February 2006, he hired on with the BNSF Railway in Alliance, Neb., as a locomotive electrician. In August 2010, he was promoted to Mechanical Foreman I at Hauser, Idaho, at which time Mr. Connor moved his family to Northern Idaho. He loved the area as it had much to offer in hunting and fishing. In September 2012, he accepted the position of Mechanical Foreman II in Klamath Falls, which allowed him to be responsible for locomotive and car operations, as well as work on derailments. Mr. Connor loved the work he did for the railroad and was very highly respected by both his peers and his superiors.

In 1994, he met the love of his life, Lynette Drown, in Rohnert Park, Calif. They were married on April 2, 1995, in Lake Tahoe, and they spent many hours together fly-fishing in Estes National Park in Colorado. Mr. Connor had a love for both hunting and fishing. He was an avid bow hunter and loved to hunt for turkey, deer and elk. He was quite accomplished in calling for turkeys, rattling for deer, and bugling elk. He exhibited a strong belief to his son and others that hunting is always done on foot and would get upset with folks who hunted from four wheelers or vehicles. He tied and used his own flies for fishing. The quality of the work associated with his flies reflected the attention to detail that he displayed in many of the areas of his life. His favorite fly was a Purple Woolly Bugger.

A favorite fishing trip with his wife, Lyn, occurred in 2000, when they fished the Big Horn River in Montana on Thanksgiving Day. Mr. Connor displayed a great love for both his family and for life, as evidenced by the way he lived it to the fullest. He will be sorely missed, by not only his family, but many others whose lives he has touched.

Survivors include his family in Klamath Falls of wife, Lyn; son, Luke, 11; and daughter, Emily, 7. Additionally, he is survived by his mother, Anne Connor, of Pensacola.

A funeral will be on Thursday, April 24, 2014, at 10 a.m. in New Horizon Christian Fellowship, 1909 Homedale Road, Klamath Falls. Pastor Mike Voight will officiate. A donation account, Emery Connor Family Memorial Fund, has been set up at Wells Fargo Bank. Donations to this account can be made at any Wells Fargo Bank nationwide.