His Legacy... Rich was born September 8, 1955 to Richard & Lela Simmons, Sr. in Arcata. He is a longtime resident of Gridley graduating Gridley High School, Class of ’73. He was bus driver and fleet maintenance mechanic for Gridley Unified School District for 32 years. He was a member and Deacon of Lighthouse Tabernacle and member of the CSEA, Chapter 395 serving as president and other offices and a member of the USBC. Rich enjoyed hunting deer, duck & pheasants, bowling, camping, traveling and working on projects at home with his dad. He loved spending time with his grandchildren and friends. He will be dearly missed.

His Family...He is the loving husband of 32 years to Rexann Simmons of Gridley, father of Heather & husband Ryan Yost of Gridley & Matthew and wife Rebecca Simmons of Gridley; grandfather of Aaron Simmons, Jared Simmons & William Yost; son of Richard & Lela Simmons Sr. of Gridley; brother of Pam Sanchez of Gridley and Philip Simmons of Orland; and uncle of 2 nephews and 2 nieces.

His Farewell Service ...Family & friends will gather for visitation, Thursday, January 24, 2008 from 5-8 PM at Gridley–Block Funeral Chapel followed on Friday, January 25, 2008, 10 AM with a funeral service at Lighthouse Tabernacle Church in Gridley. Arrangements entrusted to Gridley-Block Funeral Chapel.