

**BRUCE OLIVER WHITE**

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Bruce Oliver White went home to God peacefully, with a strong Christian faith on January 15, 2017. He was born on April 18, 1942, to Martin J. and Marjorie A. White of Pedernal, New Mexico. He was preceded in death by his parents, his older sister, Barbara Dow, and his younger brother, Wayne

White. Bruce is survived by Peggy, his wife of 54 years, his two daughters, their husbands and children: Tammy Prahll, Barry (husband) and granddaughter, Courtney Prahll; Debbie Della Rocco, Alfredo (husband) and grandsons, Hayden and Tyler Zongker. The family moved from Pedernal to Forrest, NM when Bruce was a child. Then moved to Tucumcari where Bruce attended high school. A year after graduating high school, he married his high school sweetheart, Peggy Lee Dyer. He and Peggy moved to Las Cruces, where he graduated from New Mexico State University with a degree in Electrical Engineering. He and Peggy purchased farm land in the south valley, where they planted pecan trees and built their home.

Bruce and Peggy loved to go to yard sales. Bruce being a skilled engineer, loved to tinker on and repair all kinds of antiques and farm equipment. He was an avid reader of southern New Mexico history. They were members of the Three Crosses RV group, where they enjoyed spending time with friends exploring areas in the southwest. One of their yearly activities was attending a weeklong church camp meeting at Montosa Ranchman's Camp near Datil, NM. They were instrumental in the construction of the camp. However, Bruce's greatest love beyond his family was his work with the Kairos Prison Ministries. He and Peggy spent many hours ministering to men in prison and women of the incarcerated.

A celebration of Bruce's life is being planned for 2pm February 11, 2017 at Sonoma Springs Covenant Church (3940 Sonoma Springs Ave. Las Cruces, NM).

In lieu of flowers, contributions can be made to the New Mexico Kairos Prison Ministries.

Kairos New Mexico P.O. Box 219 San Patricio, NM 88348.

Arrangements are with La Paz-Graham's Funeral Home. To send condolences go to www.lapaz-grahams.com