Marvin Van Maanen

Funeral Services for Marvin Van Maanen were held Saturday, Sept. 12, at the First Reformed Church in Sully with interment at the Sully Cemetery.

Marvin Van Maanen was born near Taintor, Iowa, on June 7, 1940. He was the 5th of 12 children that were born to Teunis and Rika Fortuin Van Maanen.

Marvin received his formal education at Case Country School, and served a military enlistment period with the Iowa Army National Guard. On February 22, 1963, he was united in marriage with Dorothy Faye Struijk, a daughter of Kryn and Albert Jansen Struijk. Marvin and Dorothy were given the privilege of raising four children: Marc Duane, Timothy Ryan, Angela Kae and Dana Michelle. They lived southwest of Sully, Iowa the first three years of their marriage until moving to their present location north of Lynnville, Iowa.

Marvin's first joy and fulfillment was farming and taking care of his sheep. He loved it when his 2 dogs (Dusty and Quinn) would greet him in the morning while feeding his sheep. As his children grew up and he acquired grandchildren, his pride and joy was seeing them mature. He always looked forward to the Sunday family dinners, once a month. Retirement was not an active word in Marvin's vocabulary yet, however, he and Dorothy did enjoy some traveling together. On June 9, 2009, Marvin was diagnosed with cancer and the disease proved to be very invasive. He passed away Tuesday morning, September 8, 2009, at the Iowa Methodist Medical Center in Des Moines, Iowa, having just celebrated his 69th birthday.

Those who will cherish his memory are his wife, Dorothy, their four children and their spouses and 7 grandchildren. They are: Marc and Shelly Van Maanen of Grinnell, Iowa; Tim Van Maanen of Williamsburg, Iowa; Angela and Brad Braafhart of Grinnell, Iowa; Dana and Rod Rozendaal of Sully, Iowa. Grandchildren are Josh Van Maanen, Morgan Van Maanen, Aaron, Gina and Ashton Van Dyk and Makenzy and Makayla Rozendaal.

Marvin was the first of his siblings to pass away. He is survived by Walton and Violet Van Maanen, LeRoy and Ruth Van Maanen, Gilbert and Ada Van Maanen all of Lynnville, Iowa, Arlene and Arnold Dunnick of Barnes City, Iowa, Norman and Marilyn Van Maanen of Killduff, Iowa, Dennis and Linda Van Maanen of Kellogg, Iowa, Shirley and Melvin Uittermarkt of Leighton, Iowa, Karen and Frank Van Scolet of Sully, Iowa, Rodney and Bev Van Maanen, Dale and Ruth Van Maanen of Lynnville. Marvin also leaves the following sisters-in-law and brothers-in-law: Norma (Struijk) and Gene Roose of West Des Moines, Iowa, Keith and Darlene Struijk of Sully, Verlan and Elaine Struijk of Leighton. He was preceded in death by his parents, Teunis and Rika Van Maanen; his parents-in-law, Kryn and Alberta Struijk; a brother, Irvin Van Maanen, who died in infancy; a niece, Sally Jo Van Maanen, and a nephew, Brian Van Maanen.

Marvin was a member of the First Reformed Church in Sully, Iowa. Arrangements by Van Dyk - Duven Funeral Home. Online condolences may be made at www.vandykdavenport.com

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Van Dyk-Duven Funeral Home in Pella was in charge of arrangements.