He was married to Betty Risch on May 16, 1949, in Grinnell. The couple lived in Grinnell and he assisted his twin brother, Wil Hotchkin, with construction and installation of folding doors throughout the midwest.

Bill was a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church in Grinnell, and he enjoyed woodworking and attending garage sales. He also enjoyed volunteering in group therapy meetings at the local Alcoholics Anonymous organization.

Survivors include his wife, Betty Hotchkin, his parents Bernard and Caroline Hotchkin and his twin brother Wilbur "Wil" Hotchkin, all of Grinnell; three sisters, LaRita Steiner of Heber Springs, Ark., Martha Woods of Village Mills, Texas, and Helen Jo Hotchkin of Yuma, Ariz.; two brothers, Philip Hotchkin of Grinnell and Edward Hotchkin of Des Moines; and several nieces and nephews.

William "Bill" Hotchkin, 57, of Grinnell, died on Sunday, Sept. 13, 2009, at Grinnell Regional Medical Center.

A Mass of the Resurrection was held Wednesday, Sept. 16, at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Grinnell with Rev. Nick Adam, pastor of the church, officiating. Music was provided by Marilyn Kriegel, organist, and St. Mary's Choir. Casket bearers were Dustin Bailey, Austin Frasch, Sara Jones, Aaron Hotchkin, Dustin Hotchkin and Riley Hotchkin. Inurnment will be at a later date in Hazelwood Cemetery.

Memorials may be directed to the Club House Station and sent in care of the Smith Funeral Home, P.O. Box 368, Grinnell, Iowa 50112.

Bill was born May 1, 1952, in Grinnell, to Bernard and Caroline Lidka Hotchkin. He was raised on the family farm and attended rural school and schools in Newburg and Grinnell. He later received his high school diploma from Boys Town in Nebraska. Following his education he lived in California and returned to Grinnell and assisted with the family farm operation.