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Jerry held a quiet disposition and was well respected for his hard work. He enjoyed coin collecting, metal detecting, camping, swimming, and walking. He also enjoyed working in his yard and gardening. He loved the Iowa Hawkeyes football and basketball teams and was a fan of the Chicago Cubs and Indianapolis Colts. But most of all he loved his home and the family gatherings at Christmas and other holidays. He loved sharing his time with his grandchildren and his beloved dogs.

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