

## Robert Gosselink



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Robert Gosselink, 81, of Grinnell died Tuesday, Dec. 28, 2010, at Grinnell Regional Medical Center.

A funeral service was held Thursday, Dec. 30, 2010, at Grinnell United Methodist Church. Interment was in Woodland Cemetery in Lynnville. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be directed to Pfitsch's Fishes of Grinnell College Water Aerobics or to Grinnell United Methodist Church. Harden Funeral Home in New Sharon was in charge of arrangements. Friends may send condolences to its on-line guest book at [www.hardenfuneralhomes.com](http://www.hardenfuneralhomes.com).

Robert Wayne Gosselink, son of Edward and Gertrude Ver Steegh Gosselink, was born Jan. 2, 1929, in Mahaska County. He was a graduate of New Sharon High School. On Feb. 11, 1950, he was united in marriage with Norma Castner in Oskaloosa. He worked for the elevator in New Sharon before moving to Oskaloosa in 1954 to begin farming. In 1957, the Gosselinks moved to a farm near Lynnville where they farmed with his brother. He farmed and drove a truck for Arie Van Weeldon and Lynnville Transport until retiring in 2003.

He was a member of Grinnell United Methodist Church.

He is survived by his wife Norma Gosselink of Grinnell; two grandchildren; six great grandchildren; two sisters, Ruby DeYoung of New Sharon and Marilyn Schultz of Fremont; and two brothers, Russell Gosselink of Grinnell and Lester Gosselink of Montezuma. He was preceded in death by his son Craig Gosselink; his daughter, Cynthia Gosselink; two brothers, Donald Gosselink and Harold Gosselink; and one sister Donna DeJong.

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Survivors are his wife, Norma Gosselink of Grinnell; his grandchildren, Lacie (Ronnie) Dykstra of Newton and Craig (Kari) Gosselink of Grinnell; six great-grandchildren, Chase Dykstra, Kaiden Gosselink, Lance Dykstra, Dalton Gosselink, Collin Dykstra, and Terran Gosselink; two sisters, Ruby DeYoung of New Sharon and Marilyn (Wendell) Schultz of Fremont; two brothers, Russell Gosselink of Grinnell and Lester Gosselink of Montezuma; and a daughter-in-law, Pat Gosselink of Grinnell.

Bob was preceded in death by his parents, Edward and Gertrude Gosselink; a son, Craig Gosselink, May 29, 2008; a

daughter, Cynthia Gosselink, May 15, 1995; two brothers, Donald Gosselink and Harold Gosselink; and one sister, Donna DeJong.