Larry Sanders, 68, of Montezuma, died Thursday, Feb. 16, 2012.

Funeral services were held Monday, Feb. 20 at the Holland Coble Funeral Home in Montezuma. Burial was in the Jackson Township Cemetery at Montezuma. Memorial contributions may be made to the Faith Christian Center or Safe Haven of Iowa County.

Larry Keith Sanders, son of Lyle Keith Sanders and Edith Arlene Vail, was born May 20, 1943, in Sioux City. He graduated from the Montezuma High School in 1962 before joining the Army Iowa National Guard in 1964. Larry was honorably discharged from his guard duty in 1970. On June 6, 1965 he was united in marriage with Linda Carter at the Millersburg Methodist Church. Larry joined his father's farming operation in 1965 as well as working in various factories and at Lage Mfg. He continued his family's farming heritage until his health began to fail in the mid 90's.

Larry enjoyed square dancing, wood-working and motorcycling. He was a member of Faith Christian Center, Iowa Pork Producers and the Christian Motorcyclist Association.

Larry was preceded in death by his father Lyle Sanders; three infant siblings: Anna Marie, Etta Louise and Raymond James Sanders.

He is survived by his mother Arlene Sanders of Grinnell; his devoted wife Linda Sanders; his children: Loren (Renee) Sanders and Stacy (Doug) Helm all of Montezuma; mother-in-law, Jean Carter of Williamsburg; three brothers-in-law, Mike (Linda) Carter, Cliff (Mary) Carter both of Williamsburg, Ray (Michelle) Carter of Deep River; a sister-in-law, Jill (Dan) Smothers of North English. Larry's life was also blessed with four grandchildren:

Morgan Sanders, Dillon Sanders, Shane Helm and Shelby Helm.