

Dwight 'Shade' Asberry

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A celebration of his life will be held 2 p.m. Wednesday, July 11, at Smith Funeral Home in Grinnell with Chaplain Suzanne Vogel, WFLS Chaplain Services, officiating. Honorary pallbearers will be Damian Benson, Mason Smith, Shane Burkett, Gabe Neighbors, Kenny Goughnour, Jim Pinkerton, Rick Pinkerton, Tracy Goldsmith, and Bill McGinnis.

Visitation will be from 2 to 7 p.m. Tuesday at Smith Funeral Home. The family will be present to greet friends from 5 until 7 p.m. on Tuesday evening.

Memorial contributions may be designated to the Dwight "Shade" Asberry Memorial Fund sent in care of Smith Funeral Home, PO Box 368, Grinnell, Iowa 50112. Memories and condolences may be shared with his family at www.smithfh.com.

Dwight was born on June 24, 1955, in Poweshiek County, the son of William and Josie Perkins Asberry. He was raised and educated in Grinnell.

On July 14, 1973, he was united in marriage with Sharon Sue Van Draska at First Baptist Church in Grinnell. They raised their family in Grinnell and Dwight was employed at Sam Berman and Sons in Grinnell for 35 years. He retired on June 30, 2009, due to his health. He loved and took great pride in his job as a crane operator.

Dwight enjoyed spending time with his grandchildren and watching them grow. He also enjoyed riding around in his Ford Mustang with his best friend and partner in crime, his dog Ezra.

Dwight is survived by his wife of 39 years, Sharon Asberry of Grinnell; his son, Paul Asberry of Montezuma; his daughters Amy Asberry of Grinnell and Kayln Bonjour of Davenport; four grandchildren; and his siblings, Oliver Asberry of New York, NY, Lonnie Asberry of Grinnell, and Jimmie Asberry of Kansas.

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