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The son of Earl Carl and Dorothy Genevieve Minear Engelbarts, he was born on April 25, 1944, in Grinnell. He was raised on a farm near Malcom and was a 1964 graduate of the Iowa School for the Deaf. Following his education, he remained at the school and was employed for several years in the laundry department. He then returned to the family farm where he contributed for many years in running a successful farm operation. He was an avid sports fan and, for many years, actively followed the Montezuma Braves. He enjoyed bowling, solving crossword puzzles, and playing Play Station 2 with his nieces and nephews.

Survivors include his parents of Malcom; two sisters, Bonita Martin of Sioux Falls, S.D., and Barbara Shook of Malcom; two brothers, Roger and Dennis Engelbarts, both of Malcom; several nieces and nephews; and five great-nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by one brother, Carl Engelbarts, in 1987.

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