Terry Lee Bailey

Terry Lee Bailey, 58, of Grinnell, passed away Saturday, July 25, 2015, surrounded by his family after a long battle with pancreatic cancer.

A celebration of his life will be held Wednesday, July 29, 2015, at 11 a.m. located at the Carman Center Mayflower in Grinnell, with Pastor John Epperson and family friend Russ Crawford officiating, followed by a reception in Buckley Dining Hall.

Terry was born in Marshalltown, Iowa, on July 20, 1957, to Mary (Walker) and Richard Bailey. He was raised on the family farm in Grinnell and attended Grinnell-Newburg schools, graduating class of 1975. He was joined in marriage to Maria Lynn Eickhoff, March 14, 1980.

His lifelong career in the construction world began in 1979 when he was hired on to build the Hardee’s in Grinnell. From there, he and Lynn began their life on the road for JA Farrell Co. out of Colorado. He became a superintendent for the company four months later. They called Sturgeon Bay, Wis., home for 10 years, where they raised their two children through most of their school age years. Back on the road, they continued in the construction world with BDH Contracting out of Missouri, with Dusty Dostal. Terry enjoyed collecting guns, kayaking, golfing, fishing, and time with family.

Terry is survived by his father Richard, Grinnell; wife Lynn; son Russell (Calaye), Grinnell, and daughter Amber (Matt) Frazier, Oskaloosa; four grandchildren, whom he adored; and siblings, Mary (Vonna) Bailey, Grinnell, Brent (Terri) Bailey, Spring, Texas, Lisa (Jim) Klipfel, Colorado City, Colo., and Scott (Leslie) Bailey, Crawfordsville, Iowa.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Mary (Walker) Bailey.

In lieu of flowers, condolences and donations may be sent to his wife Lynn and family at 3446 20th St. Grinnell, Iowa 50112.