Verl E. Shook, 69, of Montour, died Friday, Aug. 19, 2016, at Grinnell Regional Medical Center.

A funeral service will be held at 10:30 a.m., Wednesday, Aug. 24, at the Smith Funeral Home in Grinnell with interment at the Pleasant Township Cemetery near Ewart.

Friends may call at the Smith Funeral Home beginning 12 noon on Tuesday and the family will be present at the funeral home from 6 to 8 p.m. on Tuesday evening.

Memorials may be directed to Grinnell Regional Hospice and sent in care of the Smith Funeral Home, P.O. Box 368, Grinnell, Iowa 50112.

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Verl was born Nov. 17, 1946, in Grinnell, to Willard and Dorothy Foster Shook. He was raised in Grinnell and graduated from Grinnell High School with the Class of 1965. Following his education, he moved to Alaska and worked in various jobs. In 1970, he returned to Grinnell and began working at Saunders' DX service station as a mechanic. He remained with the DX station for several years before taking a position as a mechanic with the Firestone store in Grinnell.

On July 21, 1973, he was married to Barbara Engelbarts at the Presbyterian Church in Ewart and to this union was born one son, Scott.

Verl enjoyed camping, auto racing, cooking and watching ice hockey.

Survivors include his wife, Barbara Shook of Montour, IA; one son, Scott E. Shook of Malcom; his step-father, Gene Berry of Montezuma, IA; and his siblings, Vern (Grace) Shook of Missouri Valley, IA, Lorna Paisley of Sturgis, SD, Joyce Brown of Malcom, Brenda Martin of Grinnell, Glen Berry of Brooklyn, and Pam Paul of Grinnell.