GERALD JOHN MANATT, JR.
(November 21, 1950 - September 28, 2016)

Gerald John Manatt, Jr., 65, of Lakewood Ranch, Florida, formerly of Victor and Brooklyn, died Sept. 28, at the University of Iowa Hospital in Iowa City.

A funeral mass was held at St. Patrick's Catholic Church, Brooklyn, Oct. 3 with Rev. Corey Close officiating. Burial was in Calvary Cemetery, Brooklyn.

John was born Nov. 21, 1950, to Gerald John Manatt Sr. (Junie) and Doris (Hawkins) Manatt at St. Francis Hospital in Grinnell.

He was and graduated from Brooklyn-Guernsey-Malcom High School in 1969. John grew up a member of St. Patrick's Catholic Church/Brooklyn, where he was confirmed.

Following high school, John attended Loras College in Dubuque where he was graduated in 1973 with a BA in Business Administration.

December 4, 1971, John was united in marriage to Marlene Odell. They raised their four children in Brooklyn where the couple raised their four children.

Survivors include his wife of 44 years, Marlene; his four children, Jennifer (Ken) Cline of Brooklyn, I. Chris Manatt of Cedar Falls, Joy (Gabe) VanLandsoh of Brooklyn, and Jonathan (Samantha) Manatt of Lynnville; and thirteen grandchildren.

John was preceded in death by his mother and father-in-law, Corbly and Juanita Odell, his parents, Junie and Doris Manatt and brothers-in-law Bill Olson and Jerry Hamberg.

FORMER BROOKLYN RESIDENT
Gerald John Manatt, Jr., 65

Gerald John Manatt, Jr., age 65, of Lakewood Ranch, Florida, formerly of Victor and Brooklyn, died on Wednesday, September 28, 2016, at the University of Iowa Hospitals in Iowa City. A funeral mass was held at St. John's Catholic Church in Brooklyn on Monday, October 3rd with Fr. Corey Close officiating. The funeral service will be held at the St. Patrick's Catholic Church in Brooklyn, Iowa on October 2 with a prayer service that evening.

Through his work in the industry, John was active in the Iowa Ready Mix Concrete Association and contributed to the betterment of the industry. He enjoyed annual conventions and social gatherings with colleagues, was President of the IMCA in 1982, and was inducted as an honorary member in 2009.

Most important to John were his faith and family. He was a very humble, kind and brave man. He attended St. Bridget's Catholic Church in Victor and Lady of the Angels Catholic Church in Lakewood Ranch, FL. He enjoyed traveling and spending time with friends. Attending Jeep Jamborees, golfing, fishing, camping, attending the Iowa State Fair and watching old movies, especially John Wayne movies, were among the many hobbies he enjoyed.

John was preceded in death by his grandparents, many loved aunts and uncles, his mother and father-in-law, Corbly and Juanita Odell, his parents, Junie and Doris Manatt and brothers-in-law Bill Olson and Jerry Hamberg.

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