Steven Wayne "Steak" McCurry, 63, of Knoxville and a Grinnell native, died Monday, April 3, 2017, at his home.

A funeral service will be held on Saturday, April 8, at 10 a.m. at the Riverside Community Church in Knoxville. Burial will follow in the Graceland Cemetery. Visitation will begin after 12 noon Friday at Bybee & Davis Funeral Home where the family will receive friends from 6 to 8 p.m. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be directed to the KRCO (Knoxville Radcy Charitable Organization). Online condolences may be left at www.BertramFuneralHomes.com.

He was born Feb. 17, 1954, in Grinnell, the son of Gerald and Amanda Vivian Bowie McCurry. He was raised in Grinnel and graduated from GHS with the Class of 1972. During high school, "Steak" was a standout athlete in baseball, basketball, track, shot put and football. He also attended Ellsworth Community College where he started on the football team. "Steak" then went to work for his uncle at Bowie Oil Company in Des Moines; he later moved back to Grinnell and worked at Farmhand and then for another uncle at Pioneer Oil. He eventually went to work for Mecum as a driver where he retired in 2015 with over 30 years of service.

He loved to cook for family and friends and he enjoyed camping. He was very mechanical and was always available to lend a hand to friends and family. His true passion was sprint car racing and he was a die-hard Lanzo fan. He made hundreds of friends at the Knoxville Raceway and Campground through the years.

He is survived by his fiancé and partner of over 23 years, Debbie Parker of Knoxville; father, Gerald "Jerry" McCurry of Knoxville; siblings Mike of Cedar Rapids, Kim Rieveld of Knoxville and Randy of Grinnell; and many other relations and friends.

He was preceded in death by his mother.