Rick DeDecker, 55

Rick DeDecker, 55, of Victor, died on Monday, February 20, 2006, at his home of a heart ailment.

A funeral service was held at 10:30 a.m., Friday, Feb. 24, at the Smith Funeral Home in Victor with Rev. Stephen J. Bibb, pastor of the New Covenant-United Methodist Church of Victor, officiating. Organist was Marilyn Kriegel. Casket bearers were Todd Coufal, Eric Meyer, Ron Prince, Dan Rhinehart, David Rhinehart, and Al Schiebe. Interment was in the Ohio Cemetery near Ladora.

Memorials may be directed to the Rick DeDecker Memorial Fund and sent in care of the DeDecker family, 627 Washington Street, Victor, Iowa 52347.

Rick was born on June 6, 1950, in Belle Plaine, to John Wayne and Lois Marie Campbell DeDecker. He was raised in Ladora and attended Ladora school before graduating from HLV High School in 1970. He was married to Debra Kay Davis in Brooklyn and to this union was born three children, Chad, Rhea and Brad. He worked in the microwave department of the Amana Company for 24 years and after his retirement he worked in various jobs in the Victor area. Rick enjoyed outdoor activities such as hunting, fishing and drag racing.

He is survived by his children, Chad, Rhea and Brad DeDecker, all of Victor and Angela Blackford of Alburnett; three grandchildren, Logan, Brenton and Dalton Blackford; his mother, Lois DeDecker of Victor; and two sisters and their spouses, Linda (Ernie) Meyer and Penne (Duane) Rhinehart, all of Victor.

He was preceded in death by his father.