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**Gary Lynn Vansickel**

July 21, 1951 - Feb. 21, 2021

Gary Lynn Vansickel, 69 of Nevada, died February 19, at his home in Nevada.

Gary was born July 21, 1951, in Webster City, the son of Jess and Mildred (Brown) Vansickel. He lived in Duncombe as a child helping his uncle with his plumbing business and working at the milk plant and farming throughout high school.

In 1977 he met Christine Stagle and they moved to Nevada. They were married on April 28, 1978, in Marshalltown.

Gary served on the Nevada Fire Department from 1984 until 2007, retiring as captain. He started Vansickel Plumbing in 1983 and he was still working up until his death. Gary enjoyed fishing, camping and his annual deer hunting trips with his hunting group. He also liked spending summer weekends at Lake Ponderosa near Montezuma. Gary especially loved to spend time with his dog Izzy and his family, especially his grandchildren.

Gary is survived by his wife, Chris of Nevada; his children: Shawn (Missy) Bitters, Stephanie (Jason) Gilbreath and Westly (Jess) Vansickel; his grandchildren, Damien, Monte, Eli, Koltan, Cierra, Aurora, Monroe, Owen, Aiden and Max; his brother, Roger (Marilyn) Vansickel; his neph-

ews: Jerry (Jackie) Vansickel, Jamie Vansickel and Jason (Jennifer) Vansickel; his great-nieces, Isabella, Chloe and Emma; and his great-nephews, Noah and Lincoln. He was preceded in death by his parents.

A celebration of life was held February 24, at Rasmusson-Ryan Funeral Home in Nevada.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Story County Animal Shelter in Nevada in memory of Gary.