Richard (Rick) Harrison Linn June 30, 1945 - June 30, 2021



Richard (Rick) Harrison Linn, 76, of Montezuma, died June 30, at his home. Rick, the son of Frank and Jewel Linn was born on June 12, 1945 in Bremerton, Washington. He attended school in New Sharon and Montezuma.

He was graduated with the Montezuma class of 1963. He went on to attend and graduated from Ellsworth Junior College. He then attended William Penn College. Rick and Shirley Wiley were married on September 4, 1966 in Malcom.

He enlisted with the National Guard in 1969. He served over 20 years and retired in 2005 as Sergeant First Class. Rick worked at Farmhand, Inc. of Grinnell and Vermeers of Pella.

He retired from Vermeers in 2009 and continued to farm. Rick was a member of the Blakely-Stevens American Legion Post and also a member of the Knights of Pythias, Rick enjoyed farming and raising cattle. He was an avid Iowa Hawkeye fan.

Rick was extremely proud of all 6 of his grandchildren. He attended the grandchildren's musicals, plays and sporting events both locally and as far away as Eureka, MO, Kimble, MN and Simpson College football games. He also made it to many of the sports that his son Bill coached in Missouri.

Some of Rick's favorite memories are 4-H Club, playing football with the Monte Braves, dancing on the show Harris Hop, Iowa Hawkeye football games, Iowa State Fair and watching old west movies such as High Noon.

Rick is survived by his wife Shirley and his children, Bill (Kimberly) Linn of Eureka, MO, and Lisa (Matt) James of Lynnville, his grandchildren, Jacob Linn of St. Louis, MO, Brennan and Anderson Linn of Eureka, MO, Haley James of Iowa City, and Aliya and Dawson James of Lynnville, his sister, Sandra (Dr. Paul) Poncy of Centerville; his sister-in-law Carol (Frank) Helm of Montezuma, brothers-in-law, Russell (Marion) Wiley of Cedar Falls, Steve (Jo) Wiley of New Sharon, and Dr. Mark (Zhen) Wiley of Brandon, MS. He has one surviving aunt, Katie Jones of Texarkana, AR, as well as may nieces, nephews and friends.

Rick was preceded in death by his parents, Frank and Jewel Linn, his grandparents, Edgar and Abbie Gilbert and Eli and Bessie Wims, and his inlaws, Russell and Jeanett Wiley.

The family appreciates the wonderful care provided by Dr. Paulson and the Hospice of Unity Point of Grinnell.

Memorials may be directed to the family to be divided between cancer research, Hospice and several others.

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