Laverne E. Roth, 59, of Chelsea, formerly of Brooklyn, died Thursday, Dec. 20, 2007, as the result of a collision between two semi-trailer trucks at the junction of US Highway 6 and Highway 63 South, rural Malcom.

A funeral service was held Monday, Dec. 24, at Nevenhoven Funeral Home in Brooklyn with Dennis Smith, pastor of Madison Church of Christ, officiating. Burial will take place at a later date.

Laverne Eugene Roth was born March 2, 1948, in Grinnell, the son of Leonard Francis and Mary Ann Williamson Roth. He resided in Brooklyn throughout most of his life, graduating from Brooklyn High School with the class of 1966. He was united in marriage with Dawn Lori Davis on Feb. 14, 2004, in Tama.

He had driven a tank truck for Manatt's for the previous five years, and currently was driving for Glenn Berry. Earlier he had driven a semi-trailer truck for Calvin Steffensmeier and had driven cross country for other companies. He enjoyed working on a race car with his son Tony, fixing and remodeling homes, trucking, spending time with his children and grandchildren, telling stories about trucking and watching NASCAR racing.

He is survived by his wife Dawn of Chelsea; five sons and daughters, Tony Roth and Tracy Porter of Brooklyn; Destiny Van Hauen of Chelsea, Nicole Roth of Dysart and Antoinetta Roth of Orchard, Neb.; nine grandchildren; his mother, Mary Ann Roth of Brooklyn; two sisters, Laurie Hemmung of Marengo and Lisa Alexander of Brooklyn, and one brother, Lynn Roth of Brooklyn. He was preceded in death by his father, and one brother, Loren.
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