

Chuck Sumner



Chuck Sumner, 52, of Kellogg died Saturday, Dec. 15, 2007, at University Hospitals in Iowa City.

A funeral service will be held Friday, Dec. 21, at 1 p.m. at Smith Funeral Home with the Rev. Mike Johnson, pastor of Kellogg Christian Church, officiating. Casket bearers will be Jerome Allen, Bob Penne, Dustin Sumner, John Sumner, Gordon Sumner, Greg Sumner, Joe Sumner and John D. Sumner. Interment will be in Our Silent City Cemetery in Kellogg. His family will be present at Smith Funeral Home from 5 to 8 p.m. Thursday. Memorials may be directed to the Chuck Sumner Memorial Fund, 913 Reuel Ava., Kellogg IA 50135.

He was born March 11, 1955, in Stevens Point, Wis., to Charles and Billie Jean Shope Sumner. He was raised in Lee's Summit, Mo., before moving to Grinnell in the late 1960s. He graduated from Grinnell-Newburg High School with the class of 1973. Following his education, he was employed by a number of Grinnell businesses, then with the City of Grinnell's Water Department. He was married on June 4, 1988, in Grinnell to Mollie (Buff) Foster. They resided in Kellogg and he was employed with the shipping and receiving department of the Maytag Corporation. In recent months, he had assisted Bob Penne with his food service company.

He was member of United Auto Workers' Union No. 997 and was an avid Green Bay Packers fan. He also enjoyed Triumph motorcycles, music, hunting, fishing and raising German Shorthair dogs.

He is survived by his wife Mollie (Buff) Sumner of Kellogg; two sons, Dustin Sumner of Phoenix, Ariz., and John Sumner of Grinnell; one daughter, Megan Sumner of Iowa City, and three brothers, Gordon Sumner of Kellogg and Greg and Joe Sumner, both of Grinnell. He was preceded in death by his parents.

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