

John Clark Light

A memorial service was held Monday afternoon, Aug. 24, at the Christian Church in Grinnell for John Clark Light, 45, of Grinnell, who died Aug. 21, 1998, at Grinnell Regional Medical Center. The Rev. John Epperson of the Christian Church in Grinnell officiated. Music was "My Back Pages" by The Byrds and "Unchanged Melody" by The Righteous Brothers.

Honorary bearers were Matthew Pearson, Jonathan Pearson, Scott Pearson, Christopher Chingren, Adam Chingren, Stephen Berg and Christine Berg. Interment was in Hazelwood Cemetery in Grinnell.

The son of H. Raymond and Rhea Brannian Light, John was born March 7, 1953, in Iowa City. He was raised in Grinnell and was a 1971 graduate of Grinnell High School and he later attended Fort Dodge Community College.

John was employed at Link's Tavern for several years before opening Game Time, with Gary Gibson, on March 4, 1993.

He was married to Gayle H. Gorsch on Oct. 7, 1995, and the couple continued making their home in Grinnell. He was a former member of the Grinnell Eagles Lodge.

John's life was centered around his family and friends. Meeting people, having fun and keeping friends happy were his ambitions. He loved life and the outdoors. Two of his favorite places were Gull Lake in Minnesota, where he enjoyed annual family vacations, and Light's pond, a haven nearby where he could enjoy his friends, fishing and swimming.

He was a big fan of the Kansas City Chiefs and the Iowa Hawkeyes. John held a witty personality and his heart was filled with warmth and generosity. His love and sense of humor will be missed.

He was preceded in death by his grandparents, H.R. Light Sr., Fern and Karl Lindenmeyer and Cecil and Eva Brannian; and one cousin, Craig Scroggs.

He is survived by his wife, Gayle, of Grinnell; his parents, H.R. and Rhea Light of Grinnell; two sisters and brothers-in-law, Sara and Tim Pearson of Urbandale and Susie and Al Chingren of Lenexa, Kan.; two step-children, Christine and Stephen Berg of Grinnell; five nephews, Matthew, Jonathan and Scott Pearson of Urbandale, and Christopher and Adam Chingren of Lenexa; and his aunt and uncle, Ruth and John Scroggs of Des Moines.

Should friends desire, memorial contributions may be made to Grinnell Regional Medical Center.

BC August 26, 1998

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A memorial service was conducted Monday at the Grinnell Christian Church, with the Rev. John Epperson officiating. Honorary bearers were Matthew, Jonathan and Scott Pearson; Christopher and Adam Chingren; and Stephen and Christine Berg.

Burial was in Hazelwood Cemetery, with the Smith Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

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Dodge Community College.

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He was married to Gayle H. Gorsch Oct. 7, 1995, and the couple lived in Grinnell.

Mr. Light was a former member of the Grinnell Eagles Lodge.

Surviving are his wife; his parents; two sisters, Sara Pearson of Urbandale and Susie Chingren of Lenexa, Kan.; and two stepchildren, Christine and Stephen Berg of Grinnell.

He was preceded in death by his grandparents.

Memorial contributions in his name may be made to Grinnell Regional Medical Center.

H-R Aug. 24, 1998