

Gary W. Russell Sr.

Gary W. Russell Sr., 52, of Grinnell died of cancer Tuesday, June 26, at his home.

Funeral services are set for 10 a.m. Saturday at the Smith Funeral Home. Burial will be at Sheridan Cemetery.

Visitation will be from 5 to 9 p.m. Thursday and from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Friday at the funeral home. The family will be present from 4 to 6 p.m. Friday.

A Gary W. Russell Sr. Memorial Fund has been established.

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Gary Russell Sr.

Gary Wayne Russell Sr., 52, of Grinnell died Tuesday, June 27, at his home.

Funeral services were conducted Saturday at the Smith Funeral home, with the Rev. David Brandt, pastor of Immanuel Lutheran Church, officiating. Pallbearers were John, Jim, Jerry and Jimmy Crawford; John Wallis; Greg Blom; Rusty Phillips and Rob Wyatt. Honorary bearers were Keith Blocker and Donny and Travis Crawford. Burial was at Sheridan Cemetery.

The son of Edward Newman and Helen Louise Kempling Russell, he was born Sept. 29, 1948, in Quincy, Ill., where he was raised and educated. He lived in El Cajon, Calif., for several years before moving to Grinnell in 1974.

He was married to Vickie Crawford July 10, 1975, in Newton. They continued to reside in Grinnell, later living in Evanston, Wyo.; Watertown, S.D.; and again in El Cajon before returning to Grinnell in 1989.

Mr. Russell was employed with several businesses, most recently as a cook at the Grinnell Elks Lodge, of which he was also a member.

Surviving are his wife; one son, Gary of Grinnell; one grandson; four sisters, Barb Marulli and JoAnn Frocchio, both of El Cajon, Calif., and Roberta Russell of Illinois; and two brothers, Robert of Illinois and Edward of Nashville, Tenn.

He was preceded in death by his parents and one sister, Janet Shelton.

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