

James L. Weldon, 70

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A memorial service was held for James L. Weldon, of Belle Plaine (formerly of the Newton area), at 6 p.m. on Friday, May 29, at the Christ United Methodist Church, in Belle Plaine. Pence ~ Reese Funeral Home in Newton were entrusted with the arrangements. A private family graveside service was held at the Memorial Park Cemetery. Memorials in Jim's name are being designated; to Oldorf Hospice House of Mercy; Christ United Methodist Church or to the Belle Plaine Ambulance.



James L. Weldon, 70, the son of Lloyd Reuben and Elsie Mac (Kleinendorst) Weldon, was born Sept. 7, 1938, in Newton. He was a graduate of Newton Senior High, Class of 1957.

In 1960, Jim was united in marriage with Linda Vee Owens. Linda would precede him in death. Jim was employed by Winpower Manufacturing in Newton, for 15 years. On March 6, 1976, Jim was united in marriage with Cindy Jolene Routier in Grinnell. They would live in the Montezuma area until 1979, when they moved to Belle Plaine. He was employed by Iowa Plants-Dieomatic; Magna International in Montezuma, for thirty years; Traer Manufacturing in Traer; and Benco Manufacturing in Belle Plaine. He had devoted his life to his wife, children, family and friends, and enjoyed fishing, gardening, the outdoors, his work, pool, guns and shooting targets.

Jim died on Wednesday afternoon, May 27, 2009, at the Oldorf Hospice House of Mercy in Hiawatha. He was preceded in death by his parents; and his first wife.

Those left to honor Jim's memory include his wife of 33 years, Cindy of Belle Plaine; his daughter, Traci L. Weldon (Brian Sims) of Newton; sons, Jeff Weldon (Cynthia Avery) of Newton, Jason (Melissa) Weldon of Sparks, Nev., and Justin Weldon of Coralville; six grandchildren, Jimmy "J.R." Weldon, Jace Weldon, Joshua Sims, Crystal Sims, Elizabeth Sims and Nathan Sims; a great-grandchild, Alexis; a sister, Barbara James of Anacortes, Wis.; his mother-in-law and father-in-law, Mary Ruth and Lyle Routier of Newburg; brothers-in-law and sisters-in-law, Marj (Art) Smith, and Connie (Darrel) Lamb, all of Grinnell, Larry (Irma) Dye of Livonia, Mo., and Roger (June) Routier of Gilman; several nieces and nephews; and his many great friends.

Online condolences may be left for the family at: www.pencefh.com.