Richard 'Dick' Kibbee

Richard "Dick" Kibbee, 63, of rural Gilman, died Tuesday, April 25, 2011, at his home.

Following cremation a celebration of his life was held at 10:30 a.m., Thursday, April 28, at the Mitchell Family Funeral Home. Visitation was Thursday morning prior to the service, with family present at the funeral home to greet friends. A private family burial will take place at a later date. For further information or to send a condolence please visit www.mitchellfh.com or call 641-844-1234.

Dick was born Oct. 10, 1947, the son of Earl Kibbee and Rosemary LaKose. He was raised in the Brooklyn area and graduated from Grinnell High School. Following high school he worked for Holland Plastics for several years, then began his career at the Gilman Co-Op lumber yard in 1974. In the mid-1980s he went on to be an agronomy operator at the Central Counties Co-Op which is known today as Heartland Co-Op in Gilman where he had over 37 years of service. Dick also owned and operated the 5K Bar in Gilman for several years. He was a volunteer fireman for several years serving the community of Gilman.

When Dick had free time he enjoyed working outdoors with his hands—taking his time with projects to make sure everything was "just perfect." Dick enjoyed fishing, camping and boating at Rock Creek and will be remembered by his family and friends as "one of the good old boys," a loyal family man and friend to all.

Dick is survived by his wife Anna "Annie" Kibbee of Gilman; his children Kelly Kibbee of Newton, Tim Kibbee of Grinnell, and Scott Macauley of Marshalltown; his mother Rosemary Kibbee; his siblings Tom Kibbee of Lafayette, Ind., Becky Harter of Grinnell, and Troy Kibbee of Omaha, Neb.; and four grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his father Earl Edmund.