## GRINNELL RESIDENT

## John S. Breeden, 63



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A funeral service was held Tuesday, Jan. 13, 2015, at the Grinnell Christian Church with Pastor Rose Blank and Pastor Walt Claussen officiating. Pallbearers were Jim, Jeff and Kevin Breeden, and Rod, Ron and Jamie Montgomery. Honorary Bearers are Dusty

Montgomery and Evan, Ty, Haley, Taylynn and Shyanne Breeden. Interment was at Mt. Pleasant Cemetery northwest of Grinnell.

Visitation was held on Monday at the Smith Funeral Home in Grinnell.

Memorials may be designated to the John Breeden Memorial Fund, mailed in care of the Smith Funeral Home, PO Box 368, Grinnell, Iowa 50112. Memories and condolences may be shared online with the family at www.smithfh.com.

John Spencer Breeden was born on Dec. 7, 1951, in Grinnell, Iowa, to Lee Edward Breeden and Ruth Elaine (Raber) Breeden. He was raised in Grinnell and he graduated from Grinnell High School with the class of 1970. He then enrolled in the auto mechanics program at Marshalltown Community College in Marshalltown.

He was united in marriage to Virginia Montgomery on May 1, 1976, at the United Methodist Church in Grinnell. The couple lived on the family farm north of Grinnell and was blessed with two sons, Marty and Joey. John farmed for several years until his health would not allow. He was also employed at Miraco in Grinnell, where he has worked for twenty years. For the past five years he has also been employed at Van Wyk Freight Lines in Grinnell. He had worked for the following local businesses: Clark Brink Trucking, Goodyear Tire, and Campbell Implement.

John's family always came first. He cherished the time spent with his grandchildren. He was an outdoorsman who held a passion for farming. He was also mechanically inclined and enjoyed working on race cars. The family recalled the great times they had while vacationing in St. Louis, going to Worlds of Fun in Kansas City, and the road trips to visit family in Tennessee.

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