## FORMER MONTEZUMZA RESIDENT

## Art Thayer, 69 puck



Art Thayer, age 69, formerly of Montezuma, died on Monday, Feb. 23, 2015 at Grinnell Regional Medical Center.

Arthur Chester Thayer III was born on June 14, 1945, in Des Moines, to Arthur C. Jr. Francis (Root) Thayer. He was raised in Des Moines, and graduated from North High School. During high school he was employed at Linn's Super Valu. After high school he was promoted to manager, and continued to work there until 1976 when he moved to Montezuma, to take over as manager of Gene's Super Valu. In 1981, he became the director of Mid Iowa Community Action in Grinnell. He continued to work there until 1991, when he started his own business (Children in the Middle) working with divorcing couples, which he did until his rétirement in 2007.

He was united in marriage to Sherri Richardson on May 1, 1965 at the Christian Church in Laurens. The couple was blessed with two daughters, Kimberly and Paula.

Art enjoyed being around people. He also enjoyed boating and camping. Since retiring Art has lived and traveled in a motorhome around the United States with his wife. They have traveled to every state except North Dakota. Some of his trips have included taking grandchildren along. His grandchildren meant the most to him and he really enjoyed being around them.

Art is survived by his wife, Sherri Thayer; two daughters, Kim (Brad) Hohensee of Brooklyn, and Paula (Ben) Baltisberger of Newton; seven grandchildren, Jordan and Brittany Hohensee and Shamus, Resa, Clayton, Gabe and Kaylee Baltisberger. He is also survived by one sister Patricia (Gary) Seeman; and her children Scott (Julie) Crisman of Victor, IA and Jodi (Brad) Sauter of Wiggins, CO and their families.

A Celebration of Life gathering will be held on Saturday, May 9, 2015, starting at 2 p.m. at Brad and Kim Hohensee's in Brooklyn, Iowa.

Goodbyes are not forever, are not the end, it simply means I'll miss you until we meet again.