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Howard Lee Strong, 78



Howard Lee Strong, age 78 of Brooklyn, died Monday February 22, 2016 at Brooklyn Community Estate. Funeral Service was Saturday, February 27, 2016, Kloster Funeral Home, Brooklyn with Rev. John Epperson officiating. Burial with military honors was at Jackson Township Cemetery, Montezuma. Visitation was at Kloster Funeral Home on Saturday, prior to the service. A memorial fund has been established.

Howard is survived by his children, Randy (Tiffanie) Strong, and Megan (Brandon) Turner, both of Aurora, CO; six grandchildren, Ashley (Andrew) VanPelt, Whitney Strong, Kailey Strong, Lacey Strong, Taylor Turner and Torie Turner, all of Aurora, and a great-grandchild, Avery VanPelt of Aurora. Also surviving are siblings, JoAnn Hampton of Houston, TX, Lonnie (Beth) Strong of Malcom, and Lamont (Bev) Strong of Montezuma, along with many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, a sister and brother-in-law Gaye and Larry Gwin, and

a niece Wanda June Gwin.

Howard Lee Strong was born April 19, 1937 in Montezuma, Iowa, the son of Levi Walker Strong and Erna Marie Steffen Strong. He graduated from Guernsey High School with the Class of 1955. Howard served in the U.S. Air Force for 8 years, stationed in the Philippines. He married June Simpson on September 23, 1961. To this union, two children Randy and Megan, were born. The couple later divorced. He later married Kennetha Criswell in May of 1975. The couple later divorced. He resided in Searsboro for several years, moving to Brooklyn in 1987.

Howard worked for General Electric on jet engines, after leaving the Air Force. He worked for Golden Sun Feeds, and then for Farm Hand Manufacturing for 18 years. He also farmed with his brothers until his retirement in 1999.

He enjoyed fast cars, playing cards, especially Canasta, and listening to WHO talk radio. He liked to hunt pheasant and deer, enjoyed boating, was an avid Hawkeye fan and loved his St. Louis Cardinals.

Online condolences: www.klosterfuneralhome.com.

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