



**Larry E. Van Woerkom**

**Dec. 30, 1941 - Oct. 16, 2017**

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Larry Van Woerkom, 75 of New Sharon died Oct. 16, at Mahaska Health Partnership Hospice Serenity House, Oskaloosa. Services were held Oct. 20, at First Christian Reformed Church, Oskaloosa. Burial was in Forest Cemetery, Oskaloosa. Memorial contributions may be made to the New Sharon Fire and Rescue or the Iowa Donor Network.

Larry E. Van Woerkom, the son of Bastian and Gertie (Vande Wall) Van Woerkom, was born Dec. 30, 1941 in Oskaloosa. He attended country schools and was graduated from Oskaloosa High School in 1960.

May 4, 1962, Larry was united in marriage to Rose Ann Branderhorst at the First Christian Reformed Church, Oskaloosa. To this union three daughters were born, Denise, Deb and Darla. Larry worked a short time at Farm Service before starting his 34 year career at Mid American Energy. Larry was a lineman for a few years before moving to New Sharon as a serviceman in 1974 retiring in 2004. Larry enjoyed riding his motorcycle, playing games with his friends, coffee time with his buddies at the Fire Station and volunteering at Blood Drives. In his free time he enjoyed helping others. Larry was an active member of the First Christian Reformed Church in Oskaloosa where he was an Elder and Deacon, taught Sunday School and was a youth leader.

His memory will be cherished by his wife of 55 years, Rose Ann Van Woerkom of New Sharon; three daughters; six grandchildren, two great grandchildren, a brother, John (Louise) Van Woerkom of Pella; three sisters-in-law, Marilyn Louwsma, Joan Vos and Pearl (Bob) Vos; a brother-in-law, Calvin (Ruth) Branderhorst and many other relatives and friends.

Larry was preceded in death by his parents; his sister, Sylvia Quick; parents-in-law, Lambert and Hendreen Branderhorst and three brothers-in-law, Bill Quick, Ernest Louwsma and Marvin Vos.