

Dan Sears *GH-R 11-1-2018*

Dan Sears, 63, of Grinnell died Oct. 31, 2018, at Iowa Lutheran Hospital in Des Moines.

Funeral services are scheduled for 10:30 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 3, at the Grinnell United Methodist Church. Burial will be at Chester Cemetery, north of Grinnell.

Visitation will be held from 2 to 8 p.m. Friday at the Smith Funeral Home with the family present from 6 to 8 Friday evening.

A Masonic service is scheduled for 5:30 p.m. Friday at the funeral home.

Memorial contributions may be designated to the Dan Sears Memorial Fund.

GH-R 11-5-2018

Dan Sears



Dan Sears, 63, of Grinnell passed away on October 31, 2018, at Iowa Lutheran Hospital in Des Moines.

Funeral services were held at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, November 3rd, at the Grinnell United Methodist Church, with the Rev. Dave Crow officiating. Pallbearers were Bill Ford, Mike Grell, Jake and Todd Sears, and Tracy, Troy and Tyson Stevenson. Burial was at Chester Cemetery, north of Grinnell.

Memorial contributions may be designated to the Dan Sears Memorial Fund.

Dan was born on September 18, 1955, in Waterloo, the son of Edgar Alvin "Bud" and

Shirley Anne Vance Sears. He lived in Traer, Center City, Minnesota, Wibaux, Montana, and Modale prior to moving to Grinnell in 1967. He was a 1973 graduate of Grinnell High School.

Following his education, he was employed at Goodyear Tire in Grinnell for several years and then with Farm Service for 40 years. He retired in 2016.

On April 26, 1975, he was united in marriage with Debra Kay Grell, at the Assembly of God Church in Grinnell. The couple made their home in Grinnell where they raised two sons, Devin and Derrick.

Dan was a member of the Masonic Herman Lodge 273 and Grinnell Elks Lodge #1266.

Dan was a family man and he especially enjoyed spending time with his grandchildren. He loved his family dearly! On Memorial Day, he enjoyed attending services, with his mother, at Chester Cemetery. His 1923 T Bucket Hot Rod was his pride and joy. He was an avid fan of the Chicago Bears, Chicago Cubs and the Iowa Hawkeyes. He followed NASCAR and enjoyed tailgating at the Iowa Raceway in Newton.

He is survived by two sons, Devin (Hayley) Sears of Edmonton, Alberta, and Derrick (Kim) Sears of Grinnell; his mother, Shirley Sears of Grinnell; two grandchildren, Evin and Jackson Sears of Grinnell; five siblings, David (Denise) Sears of Grinnell, Jim (Rebecca) Sears of Newton, Pam (Jack) Montgomery of Grinnell, Jeff (Michelle) Sears of Grinnell, and Chris Sears of Kellogg; and many nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his father, Bud and his wife, Debra (2012).