

## Donald Young

Oct. 15, 1948 - Apr. 15, 2021

Donald "Donnie" Young, 72, of Montezuma passed away April 15, 2021, at University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics in Iowa City.

Donald Wesley Young was born October 15, 1948, in Oskaloosa, to Dorothy Lowe and Milton Young. He was graduated from Montezuma High School in 1966. He attended Kirkwood college to study computer science for one year before being drafted into the army. He served in Germany for two years.

He married the love of his life Cherie on March 27, 1971, at the First Baptist Church in Oskaloosa. They lived in Barnes City until 2004 when they moved to Montezuma, where they had plenty of room for horses and fun to be had. Together they had three children Justin, Preston (Connie), and Austin (Taren) of Montezuma.

He owned his own trucking business Don Young Trucking until 1985 and professionally drove a truck until he took on the role of full-time Grandpa at the age of 64.

Those blessed to call him Papa Donnie are Brittany (Kyle), Stevie (Damian), Jordan, Isaiah (Molly), Westen, Willow, Charley, Macy, Kayl, Beau, Jaxon, Gracie, Ty, and great-granddaughter Shayde.

Donnie loved his family. He never missed a chance to give his grandkids a ride anywhere they needed to go. He loved to be there cheering them on from the sidelines at every sporting event.

He enjoyed attending auctions and sales, gifting the knives from his collection to us all, mowing with his grandsons, riding horses, meeting up with friends at coffee time to chat, and giving many, many Ranger rides.

Funeral Services will be held at 1:30 p.m. at April 20, at Hope Community Assembly of God Church, Montezuma with Pastor Brad Singleton officiating.

According to the rules put in place by the Iowa Department of Public Health, proper social distancing and appropriate personal protective equipment are advised for attending this public event. Memorial contributions can be made to the American Legion Post #169 in Montezuma. Langkamp Funeral Chapel & Crematory in Oskaloosa is handling the arrangements.

Burial will be in Barnes City Cemetery.

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