

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 25, 2021

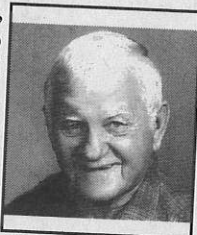
THE RECORD, MONTEZUMA, IA

Obituaries

JERRY VanDee

Sept. 9, 1939 - Nov. 21, 2021

Jerry Van Dee, 82 of Deep River passed away Nov. 21, at Unity Point, Grinnell Regional Medical Center. Grinnell



Mass of a Christian Burial will be at 10:30 a.m. November 29, at St. Bridget Catholic Church, Victor.

Visitation will be , November 28 at Holland-Coble Funeral Home from 3 to 6 p.m. with a Rosary recited at 3 p.m.

A private burial will be held in the Armah Cemetery near North English, November 30. Memorials may be directed to

the Deep River Fire Department. Holland-Coble Funeral Home of Montezuma is in charge of arrangements.

Gerald Van Dee, the son of Steven and Verla Schultz Van Dee was born September 9, 1939 at Grinnell.

Jerry was one of five siblings. He attended and was graduated from Deep River High School in 1958. He began working at the Amana's at age 18 and then changed jobs to his lifetime job of bulldozing and construction.

He worked for Rugg Construction in Sigourney and then for Wayne Geetings in Pella until 1963 when he bought his first bulldozer and started his own business working over 54 years until the present.

He was united in marriage to Marla Wehrle on June 15, 1963 at St. Patrick's Catholic Church in Brooklyn. They became the parents of four children, Laura, Lana,

Lane and Laird. Jerry loved his family and attended many of his grandchildren's activities.

He enjoyed his heavy equipment work, road tripping and coffee time with his many friends. He was a member of St. Bridget Catholic Church.

His legacy will be honored by his wife of nearly 59 years, Marla; his children, Laura (Mark) Ballou of Killeen, TX, Lana (Gary) Wanders of Pella, Lane (Tina) Van Dee of Deep River, and Laird (Stephanie) Van Dee of Adel; his 13 grandchildren; his 13 great grandchildren; and his siblings, Dave (Carol) Van Dee of Deep River, Iowa Ann (Mark Seaton) Van Hamme of Vinton and his sister-in-law, Janet Van Dee of Altoona.

Jerry is preceded in death by his parents, his great grand-daughter, Tessa Sauter; his brothers, Marion (Betty) Van Dee and Jim Van Dee.