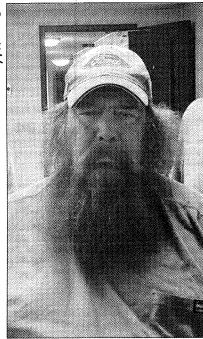
Michael 'Junkman' Shane Lewis



Michael "Junkman" Shane Lewis was born June 13, 1964, in Newton, Iowa, and died March 16, 2025, with his family at his side.

A private graveside gathering will be held at a later date as he is buried next to his wife and son in the Gifford Cemetery east of Monroe, Iowa. Memorial contributions may be designated in the name of Mike's mom, Maureen Hagele, or sister, Dawn Ulrey, to help cover the final expenses and burial. Memorials may be mailed in care of Smith Funeral Home, PO Box 368, Grinnell, IA 50112.

Michael is the son of Keith Lewis and Maureen Hagele. He attended Monroe schools until the tenth grade. He married Cheryl Jean Elam Lewis on August 15, 1987, and she preceded him in death July 5, 2013.

Michael was self-employed as a scrap metal processor and retired due to health issues in 2013. He was diagnosed with lung cancer in November 2023 when his doctor advised he had six months to a year left to live. He chose not to take any life-lengthening treatments as he felt the final result would be the same and often stated: "I want to go be with my wife."

Michael enjoyed camping, putting puzzles together, scratching lottery tickets, thrifting, and attending garage sales, and was a backyard mechanic who liked to tinker with cars and trucks.

Michael is survived by his sons, Curtis and Tyler of Grinnell; his mother, Maureen Hagele of Newton; his sister, Dawn Ulrey of Monroe; and many other relations.

Michael was preceded in death by his wife, Cheryl; their son, Brad; and his father, Keith Lewis.