

Larry Deike



H.R. May 3, 2001
Larry James Henry Deike, 53, of Grinnell died Sunday, April 29, at the home of his daughter in Grinnell.

A memorial service was conducted Tuesday at the Smith Funeral Home, with the Rev. John Epperson, pastor of the Grinnell Christian Church, officiating. Honorary bearers were Sam Andrews, Jerry Beidler, Pete Bentfield, Ben Crawford, Ed Locker and Dennis Rozendaal.

He was the son of Lester and Gladys Friskop Deike, he was born May 28, 1947, in Breckenridge, Minn. He was raised in Wahpeton, N.D., and was a 1965 graduate of Wahpeton High School. He received his B.S. degree in mechanical engineering at North Dakota State University in 1976.

Mr. Deike was a project engineer for Farmhand in Grinnell from 1978 to 1995 and in Coldwater, Ohio, from 1995 to 1996. He was chief engineer at United Farm Tools in Oelwein from 1996 to 1998 and project engineer at Arts Way Manufacturing Co. in Armstrong from 1998 to 2001.

Surviving are his children, Trish Kummer of Grinnell and Chad of Ames; three grandchildren; his parents; two sisters, Renae Parvey of Rolla, N.D., and Mary Deike of Fargo, N.D.; and his significant other, Terri Hotchkin of Grinnell.