

Larry D. Tharp

Larry D. Tharp, 56, of 726 s. 17th St., Fort Dodge, formerly of Grinnell, died Friday, Nov. 11, at University Hospitals in Iowa City.

Funeral services were conducted Monday at the Smith Funeral Home, with the Rev. Daniel Ogata, pastor of the Malcom Presbyterian Church, officiating. Organist was Alice Renaud.

Pallbearers were Nathan Estal, Jim Lacina, Bob Sieck, Bill Spooner, Jeff Tharp, Phil Tharp and Melvin York. Honorary bearers were Ed Fenner, Dennis Lacina, Duane Roland, Brad, Gay and Mickey Tharp, and Curt Vos.

Burial was in Westfield Cemetery south of Grinnell. A memorial fund in Mt. Tharp's name will be established, and contributions may be sent in care of the Smith Funeral Home.

He was the son of J. Lester and Vega Lacina Tharp and was born March 1, 1938, in Marshalltown. He lived in Gilman and later moved to Grinnell. He was a 1956 graduate of Grinnell High School.

He was married to Maridean Hotchkin June 24, 1957, in Grinnell. Mr. Tharp worked here as a concrete mason and for the Tharp Standard Oil Co. He also was a reserve police officer and volunteer firefighter. He moved to Marshalltown in the mid-1970s and later to Fort Dodge where he worked for Sears and as a custodian.

He is survived by his mother; five daughters, Janice Tharp, Susan Vos, Diana Fenner, Patty Roland and Debbie Tharp, all of Grinnell; one sister, Joyce Estal of Okaloosa; and two brothers, Lester of Grinnell and Roger of Big Sandy, Texas. He was preceded in death by his father.