

Daniel L. Ahrenholtz, 54

Nov. 8, 1943 - April 4, 1998

TREYNOR - Daniel Lee Ahrenholtz, son of Lee and Maude (Cox) Ahrenholtz, was born Nov. 8, 1943, at Defiance. He was baptized and confirmed at the Defiance United Methodist Church. He attended Irwin schools and was a member of the graduating class of 1961. He enlisted in the United States Army Reserves in 1965.

He married Linda Doonan Feb. 26, 1966, at the First United Methodist Church in Harlan. To this union, three daughters were born, Danielle, Beth Ann and Holly. He farmed the family farm near Defiance and also did some carpenter work. He was presently employed by Lueder Construction Company of Omaha where he was a project supervisor. He died suddenly April 4, 1998, at the Bergan Mercy Medical Center in Omaha, as a result of a heart attack due to cardiovascular disease at age 54 years, four months and 26 days.

Dan was preceded in death by his parents and a nephew, Keevan Knudsen. Survivors include his daughters, Danielle (Jeff) Johnson; Beth Ann Ahrenholtz and Holly Ahrenholtz, all of Des Moines; his brothers and sisters, Dorothy (Bill) Gessmann of Denison; Deiores (Jack) Perkins of Co. Bluffs; Robert Ahrenholtz (Marge) of Harlan; David Ahrenholtz (Judie) of Harlan; Galen Ahrenholtz (Mary) of Harlan; Beverly (Jerald) Knudsen of Charter Oak and other relatives.

Funeral services were held April 8, 1998, at Pauley Funeral Home with Rev. Paul Wilcox of the First United Methodist Church officiating. Burial was in the Union Township Cemetery at Defiance, with Jim Perkins, Kevin Ahrenholtz, Brian Knudsen, Larry Gessmann, Kent Ahrenholtz and Dale Ahrenholtz honorary casketbearers. Casketbearers were Terry Perkins, Alan Ahrenholtz, Leroy Gessmann, Tony Ahrenholtz, Cindy Gessmann and Vince Kreifels.