

Robert William Finken, 48

Feb. 10, 1947 - Jan. 25, 1996

CRESTON - Robert William Finken, son of Howard and Mary Ryan Finken, was born Feb. 10, 1947 in Harlan. He attended school and graduated from Harlan High School.

He married Cheryl L. Gaidies Aug. 26, 1972 in Creston. He served 4 years in the Navy. He was a sales representative for K-B Foods. He served on the Creston Planning and Zoning Commission, was a member of Holy Spirit Parish, VFW Post #1797, American Legion, Eagles, and Ducks Unlimited. He died at his home in Creston Jan. 25, 1996 at age 48.

He was preceded in death by his father, Howard. He is survived by his wife, Cheryl; his mother, Mary E. Finken, Harlan; sons, Scott (Jill) Gaidies of Creston and Ryan W. Finken, Indianola; and daughter, Kelly (Harry) Hauersperger of Nevada; brothers, Jim (Gema) Finken of Kansas City, MO; Bill (Vickie) Finken, Davenport; Rick (Pam) Finken, Davenport; Pat Finken, Davenport; and John (Lori) Finken, Kansas City, MO; sisters, Linda (Dave) Shanahan, Omaha; Ellen (Mark) Greenway, Lambertton, MN; Jeannie (Brad) Lyman, Springfield, IL; Carol (Al) Tremel, Harlan and Nancy (Tom) Ernst, Lincoln, NE; two grandchildren and other relatives.

Funeral services were held Jan. 27, 1996 at Holy Spirit Parish in Creston with Rev. Howard Fitzgerald and Rev. Michael Berner officiating. Burial was in the Calvary Cemetery, Creston with David Benson, Keith Sammons, Jack Cassidy, Robert Kessler, Ron Piel and Wes Fisher honorary casket bearers. Casket bearers were John Finken, Bill Finken, Rick Finken, Pat Finken, Jim Finken and Al Tremel. Coen-Beaty Funeral Home in Creston in charge of arrangements.