

Ronald Flaharty, 53.

Sept. 14, 1951 - July 29, 2005

PERSIA — Ronald Eugene Flaharty, son of Elmer and Ginny McIntosh Flaharty, was born Sept. 14, 1951 in Logan. He attended school at Tri-Center and graduated with the class of 1970.



Ronald married MaryLu Leinen Sept. 22, 1973, at St. Mary Our Lady of Fatima in Portsmouth. They lived in Germany for six months while Ron was in the service and then returned to Persia when he was discharged. While in the service, he was baptized into the Catholic faith at a Catholic Church in Germany. After making their home in Persia, Ron worked as a diesel mechanic for Cornhusker Trucking and for other area trucking companies. He was a member and Commander of the Persia American Legion Post No. 314 and volunteered his time to many of the military grave side rites for other veterans who have died. He died at Creighton Medical Center in Omaha, NE, July 29, 2005, at age 53 years, 10 months and 15 days.

Ron is preceded in death by his parents; his sister, Nancy Jo; and a brother, Donald. He is survived by his wife, MaryLu; his children, Valerie (Jeremy) Ewoldt, Jamie Flaharty and Shawn Flaharty (Mary), all of Persia; three grandchildren, Scott, Brayden, and Ethan; brother and sisters: Audrey Sue (Larry) Siebert of Green Forrest, AR; Vickie (Arton) Martens and Dan Flaharty all of Council Bluffs and other relatives.

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated Aug. 2, 2005, at St. Mary Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Church in Portsmouth, with Rev. John Dorton celebrant. Military rites were conducted in Valley View Cemetery in Persia, by the American Legion Swanger Post No. 314 of Persia. Honorary casket bearers were his son, grandsons, brothers, brother-in-law, and nephews. Casket bearers were Seth Boos, Jerry Plambeck, Ron Reed, Sam Plambeck, George Wear, and Bill Plambeck. Pauley Jones Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.