

## Dennis Hansen, 59

*June 18, 1943 - Aug. 7, 2002*



**KIMBALLTON** — Dennis Roger Hansen, son of Hans T. and Bertha V. (Jacobsen) Hansen, was born June 18, 1943, on the family farm in Jackson Township, rural Kimballton. He attended school at Jackson #6 country school and Elk Horn-Kimballton Public Schools. Dennis worked at the Pontiac Garage in Exira, and later was employed by the Chrysler-Plymouth Garage in Harlan. Dennis and Leon opened D & L Body Shop in 1966. The name was changed to D & L Salvage in 1978. Dennis and Leon worked together for 36 years. Due to illness, Dennis had entered the Salem Lutheran Home in Elk Horn Aug. 2, 2002. He was a lifelong member of Immanuel Lutheran Church in Kimballton. He died Aug. 7, 2002, at the Salem Lutheran Home in Elk Horn, at age 59 years, one month and 20 days.

Preceding him in death were his parents; two brothers, Galen Hansen and an infant brother, and one niece, Janie Marie Hansen. Survivors include three brothers, Eugene (Kathryn) Hansen of Exira; Leon (Cheryl) Hansen and Jerry (Sherry) Hansen, both of Harlan; his special friend, Mildred Glenn of Walnut; two aunts, Lillie Nielsen of Elk Horn and Erna Mortensen of Kimballton; nieces and nephews, Julie (Allan) Nissen, Tom Hansen and Linda Hansen, all of Exira; Mary (Burt) Blom of Marshalltown; Todd Hansen of Elk Horn; Dale (Gina) Hansen of Kimballton; Dan (Brenda) Hansen of Harlan; Debra (Kevin) Harris of Blair, NE; Betty Hansen of Des Moines; Cindy (Steve) Cockerham of Altoona; Darli (Bob) Vrba of Schuyler, NE, and Jim (Angie) Hansen of Harlan; grandnieces and grandnephews, Jill, Jennifer and Jaime Nissen; Daniel and David Blom; Nichelle and Evan Hansen; Chris and Drew Harris; Ryan Peer; Kelsey and Tony Burrows; Stephanie (Brian) Breckenridge; Kristy and Kellsey Cockerham; Ben and Jerry Vrba and Autumn and Jacob Hansen; and a great grandniece, Samantha Breckenridge.

Funeral services were held Aug. 10, 2002, at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Kimballton, with Pastor John S. Swenson officiating. Honorary casket bearers were Charlie Larsen, Robert Christensen, Jerald Christensen, Bob Vrba, Burt Blom, Kevin Harris, Steve Cockerham, Maynard Nielsen and Gary Gust. Casket bearers were Jim Hansen, Dan Hansen, Dale Hansen, Todd Hansen, Tom Hansen and Allan Nissen. Burial was in the Immanuel Lutheran Cemetery in Kimballton. Burmeister-Johannsen Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.