

Dennis Randeris, 64

Feb. 12, 1948 - March 20, 2012

JACKSONVILLE — Dennis

Arnold Randeris, the son of Arnold and Grace A. (Bartelson) Randeris, was born on February 12, 1948, in Audubon. He was raised on a farm 1/4 mile west of Redline. Dennis first attended country school, and then Kirkman and Irwin schools. He left school in the tenth grade to work on the farm and feed cattle with his father.

March 18, 1967, Dennis married Patricia Lee Linderman at the Dow City Methodist Church. The couple farmed in both Shelby County and Audubon County. Dennis then

worked for Emmerts Manufacturing in Audubon. After moving back to Shelby County, he worked for Wigness Machine, and then for Edwin Olson for 15 years. Dennis enjoyed working in his well-equipped welding shop, which he had built up through the years. His passion was working to restore his three International "M" tractors; they were his pride and joy. Recently, Dennis had come to be known as the "Tootsie Roll Man" because he enjoyed sharing Tootsie Rolls with area children and friends. Dennis A. Randeris died on Tuesday, March 20, 2012, at his home in Jacksonville, having reached the age of 64 years, 1 month, and 8 days.

Dennis was preceded in death by his parents, and two sons, Andy and Chris. He is survived by his wife, Patricia Randeris of Jacksonville; two sons, Mike Randeris of Glenwood, and Ken Randeris (fiancée, Jessica Pleskac) of Missouri Valley; one daughter, Valerie Randeris; one sister, Jane Patton; one brother, Gary (Paula) Randeris; two grandsons, Tyler Wilke and Nick "Hans" Randeris; nieces and nephews; and other relatives and friends.

Funeral services were held on Friday, March 23, 2012, at Burmeister-Johannsen Funeral Home in Harlan, with Rev. Al Hazelton officiating. Honorary casket bearers were Alfred L. Olson, Edwin Olson, and Terry McDowell. Serving as casket bearers were Larry Klein, Terry Wad, Luke Zaiger, Carl Petersen, Wayne Petersen, and Gary Greer. Burial was in the Immanuel Lutheran Cemetery in Kimballton. Condolences may be left online at www.burmeisterjohannsen.com.



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