



Gary Dean Spoelstra

March 1, 1956 - July 7, 2016

Gary Spoelstra, 60, of Oskaloosa passed away Thursday afternoon, July 7, 2016, at Mercy Medical Center in Des Moines, Iowa.

Gary Dean Spoelstra, son of Cornie and Elnor (Stouwie) Spoelstra, was born March 1, 1956, in Oskaloosa, Iowa. He was a 1974 graduate of Oskaloosa High School. He was employed by Pella Corp, Vermeer Manufacturing, and most recently Guyer Salvage in New Sharon. Gary enjoyed the scrap metal business and loved creating items such as yard ornaments out of scrap metal. He married Kimberlee Quilla Leslie, October 31, 2005, at Fremont United Methodist Church. Gary enjoyed riding his Harley-Davidson motorcycle, and he was a 21 year member of ABATE District 14. He too loved family get-togethers, especially those that included his 23 grandchildren. He was an honorary board member of the Mahaska County Salvation Army.

His family includes his wife, Kimberlee of Oskaloosa, and his six children and their spouses: Ethan and Kendra Spoelstra of Woodward, Mason and Tiffany Spoelstra of Pella, Dustin and Amanda Burg of Oskaloosa, Rachel and Kyle Lappin of Eddyville, Victoria and Jonathan Craig of Eddyville and Cheyenne and Tyler Griffith of New Sharon; 23 grandchildren; his parents: Cornie and Elnor Spoelstra of Oskaloosa; brothers and sisters-in-law: Rodney and Terri Spoelstra of Des Moines and Dan and Donna Spoelstra of Waterloo; and many nieces and nephews.

As was his wish, Gary's body has been cremated. Memorial services will be held Saturday, July 16, at 4 p.m. at the residence of Kyle and Rachel Lappin at 506 North 3rd Street in Eddyville. Pastor Jerry Morrison will officiate. The family will greet visitors until 7 p.m.

Memorials may be made to the Mahaska County Salvation Army. Garland-Van Arkel-Langkamp has been entrusted with his arrangements.

Tribute Wall



“ Gary Dean Spoelstra

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“ I used to work with Gary for several years at Menninga Elec. He was about as down to earth as they come. He was always just a good guy to work with.

Dan Behrens - July 11, 2016 at 12:00 AM



“ Gary and I worked together for several years. At Menninga Elec. and then Pella Corp. He was a joy to work around. Gary will always bring a smile, and good thoughts. My prayer go out to you.

Chad Wichhart - July 11, 2016 at 12:00 AM



“ So sorry for your loss.

Joann Plate - July 10, 2016 at 12:00 AM



“ Rest in peace my friend.

Connie Slonaker - July 09, 2016 at 12:00 AM



“ My sympathy to the Spoelstra family with the passing of Gary.

Jacki - July 08, 2016 at 12:00 AM

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“ Thinking of you all in this difficult time. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.

Tony - July 08, 2016 at 12:00 AM

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“ If I could be there to hold your hands, I would be. As long as you hold him in your hearts, he'll always be with you. I love you. Your Sister and Aunt,

Ruth Trombetta - July 08, 2016 at 12:00 AM

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“ Our deepest sympathies. You are all in our prayers. Carolyn Stouwie, Sonja Stouwie Chase and Dawn Guthrie

sonja chase - July 08, 2016 at 12:00 AM

GA

“ Offering our deepest condolences during this difficult time.

Garland - July 08, 2016 at 12:00 AM