

## **Richard "Dick" Barnett, 60**

**Nov. 6, 1935-Aug. 15, 1996**

**Oskaloosa** - Richard J. "Dick" Barnett, son of Pete and Alta Baker Barnett, was born Nov. 6, 1935 at Harlan. He graduated from Harlan High School in 1955.

May 5, 1956, he married Dorothy "Dot" Atkinson at Harlan. From 1958 to 1960, he served in the United States Army. They moved to Oskaloosa in 1963, and he was a partner in K & D Contractors in Oskaloosa for 32 years, and later was self-employed as Dick Barnett Electrical and Home Improvement until retiring due to ill health. He was a member of the First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) in Oskaloosa, where he served on many committees as a church leader and deacon. Aug. 15, 1996 he died at his home at the age of 60 years, nine months and nine days.

He was preceded in death by his father; a brother-in-law and two sisters-in-law: Michael Atkinson, Anna Mae Atkinson, and Lorelei Martin; and nephews: Kurtis Jensen and Jeffrey Martin. He is survived by his wife of 40 years, Dot Barnett of Oskaloosa; a son: Mitchell Barnett of Iowa City; and a daughter: Richelle Owen of Oskaloosa; three grandchildren; his mother Alta Barnett of Harlan; two sisters Marlene (Richard) Jensen of Audubon and Kitty (Virgil) Jensen of Loveland, CO; two brothers: Rocky (Jean) Barnett of Harlan and Lee (Jennifer) Barnett of Monroe; his parents-in-law Floyd "Shorty" and Angelia Atkinson of Harlan; a sister-in-law Barbara Jo (Kenneth) Hansen of Kimballton; and a brother-in-law Robert (Linda Atkinson) of Montesuma and many nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held Aug. 17, 1996, in the Bates Funeral Chapel in Oskaloosa with the Rev. Michael Crouch officiating. Burial was in the Forest Cemetery Garden of Prayer, Oskaloosa. Casket bearers were Gary Christiansen, Jerry Rold, Larry Beard, Jim Noble, Craig DeHart and Gene Kindley.