

## John Dunlevy II, 55

June 10, 1952 - April 25, 2008

**AVOCA** — John Richard "Scoop"

Dunlevy was born June 10, 1952 in Council Bluffs to John and Lettie Dunlevy of Avoca, IA. He was a confirmed member of the St. Mary's Catholic Church and a graduate of AvoHa Community Schools. After completing college at Missouri Western College in St. Joe, John taught history and coached at Arnold's Park and Orient Macksburg. He passed away recently at his home in Avoca.

John loved teaching and coaching, helping kids excel whether in the classroom recreating battles with his fellow teachers or on the field in athletic competitions. As a coach, he made three trips to the state tournament -- two with softball and one with golf. John believed in the importance of history, and he cherished his trips with Lettie to Civil War Battle sites. A long-standing Democrat, John was involved in local politics and the presidential race. As a devoted Nebraska fan, John loved Big Red Football and even managed to bring his nephew Pat to the "Red Side". Also supporting the AHST teams, the Royals, Chiefs, and Cardinals, John was known to follow sports to the extent of having 2 TVs and a radio on to catch all the current scores. An expert at Spades, John was highly competitive whether the arena was softball, a family game of Monopoly, or pursuing favors from his great nieces Elizabeth and Esther. John also loved to cook and garden, and he never turned down a chance to water ski anywhere, but especially at Okoboji. However, nothing was as important as family, and John supported them in their every endeavor.

John was preceded in death by his parents, John and Lettie Dunlevy; his sister, Lettie and brother-in-law Mike Ross; niece Katherine and nephews Mathew and Daniel Ross. He is survived by his brother Tim, his sister Mary Gramkow and her husband Gail, nephews Matthew and Patrick Gramkow all of Avoca; nephew Pete Ross and his wife Sandy and his sons Mathew and Kyle of Montezuma; nieces Annie Gramkow and Molly Brandt and her husband Joel of Council Bluffs, and great nieces Elizabeth and Esther Brandt of Council Bluffs; and many friends.

Funeral services were held on Tuesday, April 29, 2008 at 1:30 P.M. at St. Mary's Catho-



lic Church in Avoca with Father John Frost as celebrant. Burial was in Graceland Cemetery in Avoca. Honorary casket bearers were Georgia Sievers, Randy Scott and Ken Sedlacek. Serving as casket bearers were Eric Parks, Rex Eichelberger, Randy Platt, Paul Jensen, Ronald Gustafson, Pete Bramman and Charles Ronfeldt. **Go Big Red! JD**

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