

## Larry Gittins, Sr., 66

Nov. 22, 1940 - Jan. 15, 2007

**HARLAN**—Larry William Gittins, Sr., son of Guyton and Hazel Hurlburt, was born Nov. 22, 1940, in Red Oak. He was baptized shortly after birth and was confirmed into the Lutheran faith in 1963 in Ute. He attended country school near Hinton and graduated from Hinton High School in 1959. He was a 20 year veteran of the Air National Guard, entering the service immediately after graduation, taking his basic training at Lackland Air Force Base at San Antonio, TX. He was a member of Squadron 3706. Following military training, Larry worked at Miller Kidder Chevrolet in Sioux City until 1965. At that time he moved to Harlan, where he worked at the Harlan Dairy, the Pork Plant, Harlan Feed Service, Farm Service Co-op and then started his own lawn service. While working in Sioux City he met Arlynn Thompson.

Larry married Arlynn Feb. 2, 1963, at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Ute. To this union three children were born, Lori, Larry, Jr., and Lee. Larry died Jan. 15, 2007, at his home in Harlan at age 66 years, one month and 24 days.

Larry was preceded in death by his parents, Guyton and Hazel Gittins, and a brother, Jim Gittins. He is survived by his wife, Arlynn Gittins of Harlan; a daughter, Lori (Paul) Wingert of Harlan; his sons, Larry Gittins, Jr. and Lee Gittens, both of Harlan; grandsons, Brock and Alex Wingert; a sister, Ruth Ann Van Hofwegen (Chuck) of Loveland, CO; nieces, nephews and other relatives.

Funeral services were held Jan. 18, 2007, at Peace Lutheran Church with Rev. Merlene Ostebee officiating. Following the service the body will be cremated and inurnment will be held at a later date at St. Clair Cemetery at Ute. Armstrong Funeral Service in Mapleton and Ute in charge of arrangements.

