

## Dan Hartvigsen, 46

*April 2, 1958 - Nov. 28, 2004*

**KIMBALLTON** — Dan E. Hartvigsen, son of George and Sharon (Wohlhutter) Hartvigsen, was born April 2, 1958, at Myrtue Memorial Hospital. He lived near Kimballton and at the age of three moved with his family to Harlan. He attended school in Harlan and graduated from Harlan High School in 1977. He then moved to Mediapolis and worked nearby in Mount Pleasant, manufacturing fireplaces at Heatalator. In 1985, he returned to the Kimballton area and purchased Ras's Rec with his brother, Kevin.

May 6, 1993, Dan married Carol Mardesen in Atlantic. The couple made their home in Kimballton and Dan continued to operate the bar. In the early 1990's, Dan was diagnosed with congestive heart failure and was waiting for a heart and kidney transplant when he died at his home in Kimballton, Nov. 28, 2004, at age 46 years, seven months and 26 days of age. His final act was to give the gift of life through tissue donation.

Dan was preceded in death by his grandparents, Vederick and Mary Hartvigsen and Leonard and Ann Wohlhutter. He is survived by his wife, Carol of Kimballton; parents, George and Sharon Hartvigsen of Kimballton; sister, Karla Roecker of Harlan; brothers, Tim Hartvigsen of Harlan and Kevin Hartvigsen (Tracy) of Kimballton; Carol's parents, Darrell and Sue Mardesen of Elk Horn; sisters-in-law, Cindy (Tom) Boyd of Omaha, NE; and Clara Wambold of Council Bluffs; brother-in-law, Gene Mardesen (Sue) of Elk Horn; nieces and nephews, Zack Roecker; Josh Roecker (Sarah); Seth and Emily Roecker; Jacob, Michaela and Amy Hartvigsen; Megan and Nick Mardesen; Kyle and Paige Wambold; great niece, Lauren Roecker; and other relatives.

Funeral services were held Dec. 1, 2004, at Immanuel Lutheran Church, Kimballton, with Pastor Kevin Nelson officiating. Burial was in the Immanuel Lutheran Cemetery. Honorary casket bearers were Elva and Delbert Rasmussen, Jerry Gude, Eiwind Madsen, Dale Fredricksen, Delbert Anderson, Dale Petersen and Dan's nieces and nephews. Casket bearers were Zack Roecker, Emily Roecker, Josh Roecker, Seth Roecker, Greg Madsen, Bruce Dentlinger, Bryan Andersen and Mark Jacobsen. Ohde Funeral Home in Kimballton in charge of arrangements.