

Dennis Henderson, 60

Nov. 7, 1940 – Nov. 25, 2000

AVOCA – Dennis Orlee Henderson was born Nov. 7, 1940, in Council Bluffs, the son of James (Scotty) and Hazel Ruth Headlee Henderson, and was one of four children in the family. He attended school in Avoca. In 1958, he enlisted in the United States Navy. After serving four years, he was discharged from the Navy in 1961.

In December of 1964, he married Carolyn Shanno. They were the parents of two children, Debra and Scott.

Dec. 11, 1982, Dennis and Karen Ward Burns were married. Dennis worked for the Department of Transportation at the Avoca facility. He died Nov. 25, 2000, in Omaha, NE, at age 60 years and 18 days.

He was preceded in death by his parents and one brother, who died in infancy. He is survived by his wife, Karen of Avoca; his children, Debra Jean (Kent) Sherer of Peru and Scott Alan (Kristi) Henderson of Plattsmouth, NE; his stepchildren, Lanette (Jeffery) Peterson of Avoca; Michelle (Doug) Heilig of Avoca; Teresa (Francis) Jordan of Fort Madison; Michael (Gwendolyn) Burns of Columbia, SC; Kristi Burns of St. Louis, MO; and Sandy (Gene) Butcher of Avoca; his brother, James Henderson (Carol) of Richmond, VA, and his sister, Roberta (David) Beck of Council Bluffs; three grandchildren and 10 step grandchildren; nieces, nephews and other relatives.

Funeral services were held Nov. 29, 2000, at the United Church of Avoca with Mr. Wayne Paulsen officiating. Burial was in the Graceland Cemetery with military graveside services by the Avoca American Legion Post #227. Honorary casket bearers were Frank Cheers, Greg Beck, Jim Henderson and Kyle Henderson. Casket bearers were Jeff Peterson, Kent Sherer, Doug Heilig, Michael Burns, Gene Butcher and Scott Henderson. Knutson Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.