

William J. Meister, III
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July 22, 1950 - Sept. 12, 2018

MANNING – William J. Meister, III "Billy" was born at St. Anthony Hospital in Carroll on July 22, 1950 to Alice (Lapitz) and William Meister, Jr. He grew up around Wall Lake and attended most of his school there. Billy graduated from St. Bernard's High School in 1968. After high school, he attended Universal Trade School in Omaha, NE, and served in the US Army Reserves from 1969 – 1975. In 1979, Billy married Nancy Shannon and to this union one daughter was born.



Billy lived most of his life in and around Carroll County. Though he lived in town for most of his adult years, he grew up on a farm and always had an affinity for the rural life and the art of farming. Billy drove a semi-truck for most of his working career for various companies including the Farm Service Co-op in Harlan, Farmer-Bocken in Carroll and even drove independently with his own truck for a time. In his spare time, he enjoyed riding motorcycles and watching old westerns, stock car races and a good old-fashioned rodeo on television or live. In more recent years, Billy acquired a Minneapolis Moline tractor and enjoyed going on tractor rides in the area.

Billy was active in area recovery groups and especially in The Source worship service and Bible study at Manning United Methodist Church.

William J. Meister, III "Billy", 68, of Manning, Iowa, passed away after a long battle with cancer on Wednesday, September 12, 2018 at the VA Central Iowa Health Care System in Des Moines.

Billy is survived by his daughter Shannon Meister of Council Bluffs, his sisters Kathy (Peter) Nash of Arizona and Connie Meister of California and numerous cousins and friends. He is preceded in death by his parents Alice Meister and William Meister, Jr.

A visitation with luncheon at United Methodist Church starting at 12 noon will be held Monday, Oct. 1. At 1 p.m. a celebration of Life service will be held with Rev. Vicki Fisher officiating. Interment with Military Honors will be held by American Legion Post #607 of Breda with burial at Sacred Heart Cemetery, Manning.

Memorials may be made to Manning United Methodist Church. www.ohdefuneralhome.com

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