

## James Ray Ransom, 50 <sup>078</sup>

April 25, 1943 - April 13, 1994

**Defiance** - James Ray Ransom was born April 25, 1943, son of Clarence and Edna Asmus Ransom. He died while at work at Farmland Industries in Denison April 13, 1994 at age fifty years, eleven months and thirteen days. He was born in Denison and received his education in the Jefferson and Denison Community Schools. After completing his education, he was employed by various firms in the area.

June 6, 1964 he married Carol Limbrecht at the Zion Lutheran Church in Denison by Rev. C.W. Schmidt. The couple settled in Denison and were blessed with the birth of two children. After their marriage, he was employed by Dubuque Packing Company for thirteen years when he became employed by Farmland Foods in Denison where he was currently working. In 1989, the couple moved to Defiance where they currently live. He was a member of Local 271 of the United Food and Commercial Workers Union.

He was preceded in death by his father, Clarence; three brothers, Darrell, Dale and Donald; one sister, Darlyne Meeves; his step-father, Joe Wolfe; and four half-brothers, Earl, Jim, Clarence Jr. and William. Also preceding him in death is one step-brother, Orval Wolfe; and two step-sisters, Beulah Wolfe and Evelyn Schultz. Survivors include his wife, Carol of Defiance; one daughter, Tonie Ransom of Harlan; one son, Shane at home in Defiance; two granddaughters; his mother, Edna Wolfe of Denison; his maternal grandmother, Maurine Asmus of Brookings, SD; four brothers: Kenneth (Beulah) of Denison; Robert of Manning; Larry of Manning; and Tom (Dianna) of Deloit; six sisters: Norma Bean (Paul) of Fort Dodge; Carol Goeppner of Fort Dodge; twin sisters, Janis Woods (Glen) of Rose Hill; Marvel Bruning (Ron) of Denison; Diane Schloesser (Melvin) of Denison; and Julie Jepsen (Dennis) of Denison; one half-brother, Willis Carstensen (Joleen) of Denison; two half-sisters, Donna Kroll of Denison; and Vera Jentzen (William) of West Side; two step brothers, Virgil Wolfe of CA; Jack Wolfe (Velma) of Deloit; and three step-sisters: Ellen Lahr (Dean) of Dow City; Goldie Andersen of Nevada; and Maxcine Hobsen of Ames.

Funeral services were held April 17, 1994 at the Huebner Funeral Home in Denison with Elder Ted Morris and Elder Bob Lewis officiating the service and grave side rites held at the Crawford Heights Memory Gardens in Denison. Honorary casket bearers were: Dallas Warnke and James Clark. Casket bearers were: Bill Segebart, Bob Krusmark, Larry Slechta, Dale Jenkins, Fred Lappe and Lynn Forke —