

## Michael Rohe, 52

*Sept. 9, 1954 - Sept. 28, 2006*

**MANNING** — Michael Walter, son of Gene and Leona (Meislahr) Rohe, was born Sept. 9, 1954, in Carroll. He grew up on a farm east of Manning and attended school in Manning, where he graduated in 1972. He then attended the Nebraska School of Commerce in Omaha and farmed with his family.

June 19, 1982, Mike married Mary Margaret Dotzler at St. Peter's Catholic Church at Defiance. Four children were born to this union. Mike and Mary have always farmed and have lived on the family farm since 1993. He was a member of Sacred Heart Church in Manning. He has been very involved with the Manning-Manilla Knights of Columbus. He died Sept. 28, 2006, at Manning Regional Healthcare Center following a courageous, nine-year battle with cancer at age 52 years and 19 days. In a final act of kindness, Mike donated his corneas so that someone else may see.

Mike was preceded in death by a brother, Merlin Rohe; his grandparents and his father- and mother-in-law, A.J. "Hooky" and Bernice Dotzler. He is survived by his wife, Mary Rohe of Manning; four children, Andrew and Kathryn Rohe of Ames and Kevin and Marcus Rohe of Manning; parents, Gene and Leona Rohe of Manning; five siblings, Mary Lou (Steve) Wieland of Westside; Doris (Charles) Erlbacher of Dow City; Diane (Kevin) Teno of Rembrandt; Ken Rohe of Manning, and Keith Rohe of Templeton; four brothers-in-law, Denny Dotzler (Ellen) of Omaha, NE; Fred Dotzler (Cassandra) of Sarasota, CA; Bill Dotzler (Annette) of Sioux City; Bruce Dotzler (Paula) of Liberty, MO; sisters-in-law, Sandra (Jerry) Heller and Betty (Joe) Keane, all of Defiance; nieces, nephews and other relatives.

Mass of Christian Burial was held Oct. 2, 2006, at Sacred Heart Church in Manning with Rev. Andrew Hoffmann celebrating. Burial was in Sacred Heart Cemetery with Larry Schulte, Glenn Behrens, John Rohe, Daryl Rohe, Dave Rohe, Gene Croghan, Scott Renze and Jim Rohe honorary casket bearers. Casket bearers were Doug Hargens, Larry Mahnke, Tom Walters, Gene Steffes, Danny Weitt, Jeff Jahn, Randy Willenborg, Dan Arp, Rick Dammann and Glen Eickman. Ohde Funeral Home, Manning in charge of arrangements.