

## Bruce Harvey Shutters, 50

Sept. 18, 1946 - Oct. 30, 1996

**HANCOCK** - Bruce Harvey Shutters was born at Oakland, Sept. 18, 1946, son of William Lebert and Dorothy McMartin Shutters, and was one of five children in the family. He attended country school near Hancock and AvoHa School, graduating in 1964. He enlisted in the Air Force and served his country for four years during the Viet Nam War.

He married Ruth Merk Sept. 25, 1966, at Lubbock, TX. They lived in Colorado where he attended Aerotech School for one year. They moved to Illinois where he worked for United Airlines and in 1972, they moved back to Hancock. He was owner and operator of S & S Truck Repair in Hancock. He was a member of the Hancock United Methodist Church, the Hancock American Legion, the volunteer fire department and was a past member of the City Council. He died suddenly Oct. 30, 1996, of an apparent heart attack at age 50 years, one month and 12 days.

He was preceded in death by his parents and a sister, Leberta Clem. He is survived by his wife, Ruth; his children, Dawn (Bill) Defenbaugh of Tennant; Kim (Ronald) Jeray of Atlantic; Jeffrey Shutters and Michael Shutters both living in Hancock; four grandchildren; three brothers, William Shutters (Betty) of Urbandale; Charles Shutters (Cheryel) of Red Oak and Emery Shutters (Pat) of Reinbeck; one sister, Rose Mary (Paul) Jensen of Co. Bluffs and other relatives.

Funeral services were held Nov. 2, 1996, at the United Methodist Church, Hancock, with Rev. Dr. Judy Flanegin officiating. Burial was in the Oak Hill Cemetery, Hancock. Military graveside rites were by the Hancock American Legion Post #720. Casket bearers were Bill Shutters, Brian Shutters, Brad Shutters, Aaron Shutters, Tim Post, Matthew Merk, Alan Jensen. Knutson Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.