

Obituary

William Charles "Bill" Michl

William Charles "Bill" Michl was born on February 16, 1945 in Friend, Nebraska to Louis and Kathryn (Morgan) Michl. Bill passed away on Wednesday, January 2, 2008 at the age of 62 years, 10 months and 16 days at the Nebraska Medical Center in Omaha. Bill was baptized in April 2005 at the Bryan Hospital.

Bill married Marcella "Sally" Harre on April 24, 1965 in Exeter, Nebraska. To this union was born two daughters: Brenda Hafer and Kathryn Harrington.

Together, Bill and Sally made their home on the farm south of Exeter. He enjoyed farming, animals and carpentry work. In his spare time, he enjoyed bowling (in his younger years), playing cards, and talking and having coffee with all his buddies in town. He also liked watching Nascar races (Jeff Gordon of course), working on old tractors and spending lots of time with his grandkids.

Bill received his first heart pump in April of 2005, his second Heart pump in June of 2006, and his heart transplant came on October 5, 2007.

Bill was preceded in death by his parents Louis and Kathryn Michl; parents-in-law Bernard and Marie Harre; and infant brother Robert Michl.

He is survived by his wife, Sally of Exeter; daughters and sons-in-law Brenda and Brian Hafer of Geneva and Kathryn and Robert Harrington of Lincoln; brother and sister-in-law Richard and Carol Michl of Milligan; grandkids Adam Hafer of Lincoln, Garrett and Brianna Hafer of Geneva; and many nieces, nephews and host of other relatives and many friends.

Funeral services for Bill were held on January 5, 2008 at St. Stephen's Catholic Church in Exeter, with Father Stephen Cooney officiating the service. Agnes Anderson accompanied Jessica Ruhl and the congregation who sang "Amazing Grace, Here I Am Lord, Be Not Afraid and On Eagle's Wing's".

Pallbearers for the service included Alan Michl, David Michl, Nathan Michl, Jonathan Michl, Brian Krenke, and Troy Filipi. Honorary bearers for the service were grandchildren Adam, Garrett, and Brianna Hafer.

Interment was held at the Exeter Public Cemetery with Farmer Funeral Home in charge of arrangements. Memorials are directed to the Exeter Fire and Rescue, St. Stephen's Catholic Church or to the family.