

Richard O. Kroll, 71

Richard O. Kroll, 71, Webster and formerly of Bristol, died Monday, June 30, 2008 at Bethesda Home, Webster.

His funeral was Monday, July 7, 2008 at Zion Lutheran Church, Andover, with Rev. Lloyd Redhage officiating. Burial with Military rites was at Groton Union Cemetery, Groton. There was a prayer service Sunday evening at Fiksdal Funeral Chapel, Webster.

Richard Otto Kroll Jr. was born August 22, 1936 to Richard O. Sr. and Emma Sophie (Hoops) Kroll, south of Groton, SD. He grew up in northeastern South Dakota in the Bristol, Groton and Andover areas, and attended the local area school, east Hanson Prairie Pride 25-8. He enjoyed working on the family farm with his five siblings until February 1956, when he entered into the U.S. Army, serving in Europe for two years.

After returning to Andover in 1961, he moved to Seattle, Wash., where he married Janice Morehouse in 1962, and was divorced in 1967. To this union one son was born.

Richard lived for a short period of time in Houston, Texas. He moved back to Groton in 1970, and was employed in construction and farming.

He married Sharon Raap in September 1971. To this marriage six sons were born. Richard retired in 2001, due to health problems. He was currently residing at Bethesda Home, Webster. He enjoyed spending time with his children and grandchildren.

Richard is survived by seven sons, Michael (Patty) Kroll, Seattle, Wash.; Richard Kroll, Bristol; Daniel (Jennifer) Kroll, Bristol; David Kroll, Bristol; Jeffrey Kroll, Webster; John (Katie) Kroll, Lake Crystal, Minn., and Brian Kroll, White, SD; one adopted daughter, Deb (Daryll) Peckham, Bristol; 10 grandchildren; three sisters, Helen Morse, Kent Wash.; Rose (George) Dinger, Kent, Wash., and Adeline (Jack) Blair, Andover; one brother, Walter (Alice) Kroll, Andover; one sister-in-law, Billie Kroll, Pasadena, Texas, and many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents; one brother, Gunther; one niece, and one nephew.

