

The Life of Michael Neitzel

Michael Duane Neitzel, 59, of Gregory, SD, passed away peacefully in his sleep on June 15, 2015.

He was born in Aberdeen, SD, on October 21, 1955 to the late Burton and Bernice Neitzel. Michael was married to Anita (Woods) Neitzel on July 17, 1982, in Sioux Center, IA, where the family resided until 1989. As a young man, Mike left home to start working and was an over-the-road trucker for about



10 years, seeing all but 3 of the 50 US states. After moving to Dallas, SD in 1989, Mike worked many different jobs including farmer/rancher, truck driver, bartender, custom combiner, pheasant hunting guide and cook for South Fork Lodge, as well as working at the Dallas Elevator, for Lubbers Trucking in Gregory, and for Cenex. He was a member of the Gregory County Zoning Commission.

Mike was a generous, non-judgmental man who was very fond of motorcycles, and enjoyed racing, working on them, and going for rides with Anita and Matthew along with many others over his years. He also enjoyed hunting deer and pheasants with Tanya, Aaron, and Matthew, and trucking. He was always happiest when he was spending time with his children and grandchildren though.

Michael was preceded in death by his parents, Burton and Bernice Neitzel, brothers-in-law, Lonnie Brozik and Bob Linton, and parents-in-law, Charles and Peggy Kappelman.

He is survived by wife, Anita, children, Shawn (Casey) Neitzel, Tanya (Aaron) Krueger, Crystal (Nathan) Aldrich, Samantha Neitzel (John Wulstein), Matthew Neitzel (Sammi Comemann), grandchildren Harper Neitzel, Devin, Kamryn, and Benson Krueger, Baby Girl Neitzel due in August, and Baby Boy Aldrich due in October, pet Sonny, siblings Dennis Neitzel, Ron Neitzel, Bill (Cheryl) Neitzel, Deb (Alan) Redman, Richard (Wendy) Neitzel, Sue Linton, in-laws Jan (Tom) Endes, Sue Brozik, Linda (Gary) Bowers, Dale (Regina) Woods, and many nieces and nephews who were very special to him.

A memorial service will be held Friday, June 19, 2015 at First Southern Baptist Church in Gregory with a lunch and fellowship time following at the Union Congregational Church.