

Richard Peterson

WALNUT — Richard Dean Peterson was born in Walnut on July 22, 1954, son of Joe and Frances Croft Peterson. He attended high school in Walnut and had been a communicant member of the Walnut Presbyterian church. He joined the Navy in 1973, and was discharged in July 1976. He was employed by a dry wall company in Omaha. He died Tuesday, Oct. 5, 1976 in Jennie Edmundson hospital in Co. Bluffs of injuries received two days before when he fell from the back of a pickup as it turned into a driveway.

Survivors include his father - Joe Peterson of Walnut; his mother, Mrs Frances Peterson of Atlantic; a sister, Mrs Vicky Ponsar of Atlantic, a half brother, Gary Peterson and a half sister, Anita Peterson, both of Walnut, his paternal grandmother, Josephine Skalla of Iowa Falls; and his maternal grandfather, Lester Croft of Omaha. He was preceded in death by his paternal grandfather and maternal grandmother.

Funeral services were held Friday, Oct. 8, 1976 at the Walnut Presbyterian church with Rev. Sam Hee Shinn, officiating. Burial was in the Walnut cemetery with Robert Ponsar, Billy Donohoe, Alan Graham, Thomas Troll, Larry Hildebrand and Bred Petersen serving as casket-bearers.