

Dave Pickrel, 63

July 16, 1950 - Sept. 29, 2013

HICKMAN, NE — R. Dave Pickrel, 63, of Hickman, died Sunday morning, September 29, 2013, at St. Elizabeth Regional Medical Center in Lincoln, NE. He was born on July 16, 1950 at York, NE and graduated from Beatrice High School in 1969. He attended Peru State College and then served during the Vietnam War as a Navy S.E.A.L. from 1969 to 1976. He received the Silver and Bronze Stars and a Purple Heart. He worked for Norris Public Power as a lineman from 1976 until 1979. He also was a realtor for Woods Brothers and Home Realtors and was a respiratory therapist at St. Elizabeth Hospital and Lincoln General Hospital where he worked with the mobile heart team.



He also had received a nursing home administration degree. He was baptized and confirmed at St. John Lutheran Church of Beatrice, NE and was a member of the Hickman Presbyterian Church. He was a former member of Bitting-Norman Post #27 of the Beatrice American Legion and the Masonic Lodge. He enjoyed working on the internet, collecting Coke memorabilia and was an avid Husker fan.

Dave was preceded in death by his father, Robert Pickrel, step-father, Donovan Lacey, wives, Debra Pickrel, who died on June 10, 1979 and Pat Pickrel in 2006. Survivors include his wife Ann of Hickman, NE; two sons, Cary Pickrel and wife Sara of Lincoln, NE and Jacob Pickrel of Hickman, NE; two daughters, Angela Freund and husband Travis of Fremont, NE and Rachel Pickrel of Hickman, NE; five grandchildren, Colton Pickrel, Rhiannon Pickrel, Skylar King, Brooklynn and Jackson Freund; one great-grandson, Andrew Pickrel; mother, Betty Lacey of Beatrice, NE; one sister, Lynn Grubb and husband Dave of New Llano, LA; nephew, Jeremy Grubb and wife Kamilah; two great-nephews, Daveion and Kingsley Grubb.

Memorial services were held at 11:00 a.m. on Wednesday, October 2, 2013 at the Hickman Presbyterian Church with Rev. Darin Bentzinger officiating. Private inurnment of the cremains with military rites was at the Evergreen Home Cemetery of Beatrice. A register book was available at the Fox Funeral Home on Tuesday from 8:00 a.m. until 9:00 p.m. and then one hour preceding the service at the church on Wednesday. The family met and greeted relatives and friends Tuesday evening from 6:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. at the Fox Funeral Home of Beatrice. A memorial has

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been established to the family's choice with Dean and Tess Lesoing in charge. A register book for signatures and messages of condolence is also available online at www.foxfuneralhome.net.

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