

Henry Lee Blankespoor, son of John E. and Gertrude (Kempema) Blankespoor, was born February 5, 1952, at Sioux Center, Iowa. Lee lived in Rock Valley, Iowa for a short time until his family moved to Inwood, Iowa where he spent the majority of his life. On October 19, 1973, Lee was united in marriage with Judy Top. For 38 years from 1983-2021,

Lee owned and operated Lee's Repair. The last 18 years of which he enjoyed working alongside his son, Brian. Lee loved working on tractors, combines, and numerous pulling tractors over the years. Upon retirement, Lee and Judy moved to Wentworth, South Dakota.

Lee was a selfless man who would often look for ways to help others. Even after his Leukemia diagnosis, he would often comment on how he wished he could be out helping someone. He enjoyed fishing, camping, woodworking, building tractors, and tractor pulls. He was a longtime member of the Inwood Christian Reformed Church. Lee died Monday, June 13, 2022, at Sanford USD Medical Center in Sioux Falls, South Dakota at the age of 70.

Lee is survived by his wife, Judy Blankespoor of Wentworth; 3 children, Jeff (Erin) Blankespoor of Madison, South Dakota, Brian (Kelsey) Blankespoor of Inwood, and Tami (Alan) Kamies of Boyden, Iowa; 5 grandchildren, Corey Kamies, Davis Blankespoor, Kaylee Kamies, Lane Blankespoor, and Jett Blankespoor; 4 sisters, Shirley Kollis of Inwood, Harriet (Gene) Potoka of Grand Rapids, Michigan, Charlene (Bill) Van Veldhuizen and Nelvina (Harold) Van Voorst, both of Rock Valley; 4 brothers, Edwin (Mary) Blankespoor of Rock Valley, Dick Blankespoor of Inwood, Randy (Shonna) Blankespoor of Rock Valley, and Myron (Denise) Blankespoor of Inwood; and sister-in-law, Darla (Kevin) Vaandrager of Sheldon, Iowa.

He was preceded in death by his parents, John E. and Gertrude Blankespoor; and brother, Curtiss Blankespoor.

In Loving Memory Henry Lee Blankespoor February 5, 1952 ~ June 13, 2022

FUNERAL SERVICE

10:00 AM, Friday, June 17, 2022 Inwood Christian Reformed Church Inwood, Iowa

OFFICIANT

Rev. Adam Eisenga

ORGANIST

Jane Zwart

CONGREGATIONAL HYMNS

"When Peace Like A River"
"Amazing Grace"
"How Great Thou Art"

PALLBEARERS

Dale Kollis ~ Heath Van Voorst Loren Blankespoor ~ Kole Blankespoor Darren Davelaar ~ Darrin Van De Stroet

HONORARY PALLBEARERS

Corey Kamies ~ Davis Blankespoor Kaylee Kamies ~ Lane Blankespoor Jett Blankespoor

INTERMENT

Richland Cemetery Inwood, Iowa

Lee's family invites everyone for a time of food and fellowship at the church following the committal service.

God saw he was getting tired
And a cure was not to be,
So He put His arms around him
And whispered, "Come with Me."

With tearful eyes we watched him suffer
And saw him fade away,
Although we loved him dearly
We could not make him stay.

A golden heart stopped beating
Hard working hands to rest,
God broke our hearts to prove to us
He only takes the best.





