



## Bryon Kounkel

June 17, 1959 - November 20, 2007

Bryon Keith Kounkel, age 48, of Red Lake, Minnesota, formerly of Hinton, Iowa, passed-away November 20, 2007 at Lakewood Hospital in Staples. He was born to Keith and Caren (Kovarna) Kounkel on June 17, 1959, in LeMars, Iowa. Bryon married Patricia Ann Kenney on June 25, 2001, in Wadena. He worked at Erickson Enterprise in Verndale and later became a member of the Red Lake community. He enjoyed his work, watching football and NASCAR racing, keeping things in order, laughing with family and friends, family gatherings, and time alone to reflect on life. Bryon was preceded in death by his father; step-daughter, Stephanie Kenney; uncle, Dale Kovarna; cousins, Lori and David Kounkel; grandparents, Lester and Dewilda Kovarna, and Roy and Lorretta Kounkel. He is survived by his wife; mother; step-sons, Fred (Michelle) Kern Jr., Dustin Kern, Jerimiah (Bonnie) Kern, Jesse Kern and Shane Kern; step-daughters, Erica (Dana) Cooper, and Gabrielle Kern; 11 grandchildren; brothers, Barry (Lori) Kounkel; sister, Pam Combe; niece, Sidney Kounkel; nephews, Joel Kounkel and Alec Combe; numerous uncles, aunts, cousins; and special friends and in-laws. Honorary pallbearers will be Jesse Kern, Shane Kern, Fred Kern, Jr., Robin Kelly, Charles Kelly, Jr., and Donald Kelly. Active pallbearers will be Fred Kern, Sr., Bernard Dahlvang, Steve Erickson, Dustin Kern, Daniel Kelly, and Johnny Dahlvang. The Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 11:00AM, on Saturday, November 24, 2007, at St. John Vianney Catholic Church in Round Prairie with Father Christopher Darby as celebrant. Interment will be at Calvary Cemetery in Wadena.



# Tribute Wall

PW

“ *Our thoughts & prayers go out to the family.*

Pat & Darrell Wilson - November 20, 2007 at 12:00 AM

AM

“ *We were really sorry to hear about Byron:  
Just want you to know your all in our thoughts and prayers, May  
God keep you at this times and comfort you with his love.*

*Anne & Ronald*

Anna Martak - November 20, 2007 at 12:00 AM

LR

“ *Bryon rest in peace.*

Lisa Robinson - November 20, 2007 at 12:00 AM

RT

“ *Sorry to hear about Bryon....  
You have our deepest sympathy.  
He is finally at rest and peace with the world.  
Renee, Craig, Travis, Kelsie & Mallory*

Renee Thoreson - November 20, 2007 at 12:00 AM

JC

“ Haven't seen Bryon in many many years. My love & prayers go out to his close friends and family. Loss is not easy. God's blessings on you.

*Our deepest sympathy.*

*Jim & Kathy*

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**Jim & Kathy Condon** - November 20, 2007 at 12:00 AM