



## Larry Speas

July 29, 1938 - November 27, 2005

Larry O. Speas passed away at his home in Bertha Township on the evening of November 27, 2005 with his wife Carol at his side. He was 67 years old. Larry Orval was born on July 29, 1938 at Liscomb, Iowa to Clarence and Goldie (Clark) Speas. Larry joined the US Navy on July 27, 1956 and was honorably discharged after 6 years of service. He farmed and raised hogs as well as dairy and beef cattle for 11 years. He was a certified commercial aircraft agricultural pilot and operated a helicopter crop and city spraying business, being certified by the state of Iowa to spray herbicidal pesticides. Larry entered the US Coast Guard and retired after 20 years of honorable service on November 1, 1990. While in the service, he achieved an associates degree in science on May 25, 1984 and a bachelor's degree in psychology on September 18, 1987, both from the University of New York. He also obtained a degree from Alex Tech as a certified welder. He farmed in Minnesota for the past 15 years. Larry enjoyed working his farm and visiting with friends. He enjoyed reading and everything else that life had to offer. Larry was preceded in death by his parents Clarence and Goldie and infant sister Arlene. He is survived by his wife Carol Notch; son Curt Speas and daughters Jennifer (Craig) Hulin and Teresa Speas, all of Iowa; brothers Merrille (Lois), Willard and Kenneth (Helen) of Iowa, Wayne (Jackie) of Virginia, Jerold of China and Keith of Minnesota; sisters Ivy, Marie, Ruby and Joyce of Iowa; and his grandchildren. He is also survived by Carol's children Barbara, Margaret, Katheren, Patricia, Michelle, Donald, Jackie and their spouses; brothers-in-law

Raymond Lubke and Jim Echhoff; and Carol's grandchildren. Funeral services were held on Thursday, December 1, 2005 at the Faith Lutheran Church in Eagle Bend with Reverend Cordell Strug and Reverend Mary Carol Strug officiating. Pallbearers were Darrin Hukriede, Jim Echhoff, John Sullivan, Randy Sullivan, Roy Ashman, Dale Schwartz and Max Klemek. Interment was in the St. Joseph's Catholic Cemetery in Bertha Township. View this Videotribute