



Dale W. Grotefendt

April 8, 1958 - July 25, 2021

Dale W. Grotefendt, age 63 of Marine, IL, died Sunday, July 25, 2021, at his home in Marine, IL.

He was born on Tuesday, April 08, 1958, in Highland, IL, the son of Harold and Velma (nee Conrad) Grotefendt.

On Friday, June 22, 1990, he married Kay A. Grotefendt nee Schallenberg at the United Church of Christ of Marine, who survives.

He was a member of United Church of Christ of Marine; UCC of Marine Youth Group; Marine Cemetery Board; Director on the Madison County Farm Bureau Board; Local 520-Operating Engineers, Swansea, IL.

Born in Highland and grew up on a farm NE of Marine. He graduated from Triad High School in 1976; that year he received the DeKalb Agriculture Accomplishment Award; was the President of FFA-Triad; played high school basketball and played the trombone for the high school band. He attended SIU-E. He helped with the operation of the farm with his father and mother. In the early 2000's he became an operating engineer, operating heavy equipment. On January 1, 2020 he retired from the operating engineers because of health issues. He coached baseball, soccer and basketball with his son and with his daughter coached soccer, softball, basketball and

cheerleading. He travelled to Ireland, Scotland, Wales and Liverpool as a chaperone for his daughters college soccer team.

Survivors include:

Wife - Kay A. Grotefendt, nee Schallenberg, Marine, IL

Son - Ty F. (Corey) Grotefendt, Belleville, IL

Daughter - Michelle Lynn Grotefendt, Marine, IL

Grandchild - Ryker W. Grotefendt, Belleville, IL

Brother - Rande H. (Judith) Grotefendt, Longview, TX

Brother - Brad L. Grotefendt, Marine, IL

Sister In-Law - Shirley A. Carroll, Bunker Hill, IL.

He was preceded in death by:

Father - Harold Frederick Albert Grotefendt - Died 1/29/2012

Mother - Velma June Grotefendt, nee Conrad - Died 8/6/2018

Brother In-Law - James Carroll - Died 1/17/1995

Brother In-Law - Allen Schallenberg - Died 9/4/2009.

Arrangements are being handled by Spengel-Boulanger Funeral Home in Highland, IL.

Visitation will be held from 4:00 PM to 8:00 PM on Thursday, July 29, 2021, at Spengel-Boulanger Funeral Home in Highland, IL and from 9:00 AM to 10:00 AM on Friday, July 30, 2021, at United Church of Christ of Marine in Marine, IL.

Funeral Service will be at 10:00 AM on Friday, July 30, 2021, at United Church of Christ of Marine in Marine, IL, with Rev. Philip H. Kershner, Pastor, officiating.

Interment will be at Marine Cemetery in Marine, IL.

Memorial contributions may be made to United Church of Christ of Marine or St. Jude Children's Research Hospital.

Tribute Wall

BF

“ Blake F. purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Dale W. Grotefendt.



Blake F. - July 29, 2021 at 02:04 PM

KG

“ Kay and family, I will always remember Dale as smiling and happy in high school. Plus he was always so positive! I am very sorry to hear of his passing. Sending you all comfort and strength during this difficult time now and in the months ahead.

Kim Galeaz - July 29, 2021 at 12:42 PM

DS

“ Dawgs Softball purchased the Florist Choice Bouquet for the family of Dale W. Grotefendt.



Dawgs Softball - July 29, 2021 at 11:29 AM

IM

“ Ian Heizer and Courtney Maisel purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Dale W. Grotefendt.



Ian Heizer and Courtney Maisel - July 29, 2021 at 11:19 AM

DK

“ Growing up in Marine together, we got to be good friends. We played basketball together in the playground and then on the school team. Probably our best time was in the barn, rummaging for scattered eggs, and throwing them up against the wall. Dale was always a great guy, always greeted you with a smile. He will be truly missed. Don Klein, Troy Illinois.

Donald Klein - July 28, 2021 at 04:10 PM



“ Sentimental Dreams was purchased for the family of Dale W. Grotefendt.



July 28, 2021 at 03:00 PM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Dale W. Grotefendt.



July 28, 2021 at 10:05 AM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Dale W. Grotefendt.



July 27, 2021 at 01:55 PM



“ Kay, Ty Corey & Michelle

Family is forgiveness and patience. It's sweeter than the sweetest fragrance.

The power of family is a reflection of God's compassion and magnificence.

Share the happy memories you've made. Do not let them wither or fade.

Dale lived a life filled with joy and fun. Live on now, make him proud of what you'll become.

I will always remember Dale as someone who had fun with life, his laughter and zest for life is what I will remember most!

You are all in our thoughts and prayers.. Love your Nebraska cousins.

Love Mark & Kris McAllister & family.

Kris McAllister - July 27, 2021 at 12:24 PM



“ Kay, so very sorry to hear of the loss of Dale. Sending prayers to you and your family during this most difficult time.

Lisa Early

Lisa Early - July 27, 2021 at 11:26 AM



Kay & family, although you may not recall who I am, Gerrie Milam (Gilomen), Dale was my locker buddy all thru high school. Some days he made them so much more bearable. He was always such a ray of sunshine to so many. That smile just radiated happiness. Now he is at peace & I know he's smiling down on us all. May God wrap his loving arms around all who find it sooo hard to say goodbye. From Bradenton, Fl. Love & all stay safe. Gerrie

Gerrie Milam - July 27, 2021 at 12:13 PM

JF

So sorry for your loss May you have peaceful time to grieve

Judith Ann Frey-Kahrhoff - July 29, 2021 at 03:37 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Dale W. Grotefendt.*



July 27, 2021 at 08:59 AM