

Matthew Lewis Downing, 55, of Shenandoah, passed away suddenly on Thursday, March 8, 2018 at Nebraska Medicine - Omaha. was born in Shenandoah. Iowa on April 22, 1962, the son of James Lewis and Rosalie Ann (Alff) Downing.

Matt attended school in Shenandoah and graduated from Benson High School in Omaha. He worked for his father at Downing Welding for many years and was employed at Lisle Corporation in Clarinda for the past six years. Matt had a great love of animals and volunteered at People for Paws in Shenandoah.

Preceding Matt in death were his grandparents; father, Jim Downing in 2012. He is survived and missed by his mother, Rosalie Downing of Shenandoah; brother, Kelly (Dee Ann) Downing of Wahoo, NE; sister, Ginger Downing (Jack Noble) of Bloomington, MN; sister, Sherrill (Jim) Ehlen of Miami, FL; special nieces and nephews, Doug (Kimberly) Downing, Jessi Gibson, Joe (Katie Ehly) Britton, Blair Noble, Emily and William Ehlen; great nephew, Dillion Stalder; great nieces, Cheyenne and Gabriel Haney, Christin Downing and Louise Britton; numerous cousins, aunts and uncles; many friends; and his beautiful (and spoiled) cat, Princess.

In Loving Memory

# MATTHEW L. DOWNING

April 22, 1962 - March 8, 2018 55 years, 10 months, 16 days

# VISITATION

1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. Tuesday, March 13, 2018 Trinity Lutheran Church - Shenandoah, Iowa

# **FUNERAL SERVICE**

2:00 p.m. ~ Tuesday, March 13, 2018 Trinity Lutheran Church - Shenandoah, Iowa Pastor Wade Brandt, Officiant

# **CASKET BEARERS**

Kelly Downing Ginger Downing Douglas Downing

Blair Noble Darrell Saner

Sherrill Ehlen Joe Britton

# HONORARY BEARERS

Lisle Corp. Co-Workers All His Cousins

#### Music

Karon Killion, Organist Congregational Hymns "I Am Trusting Thee Lord Jesus" #729 "When Peace Like A River" #763 "Children Of The Heavenly Father" #725 "The King Of Love My Shepherd Is" #709 (1&4) "I Am Jesus' Little Lamb" #740

#### MEMORIES

Kelly Downing Ginger Downing Sherrill Ehlen

# REGISTRY ATTENDANT

Phyllis Gourley

#### PLACE OF REST

Rose Hill Cemetery Shenandoah, Iowa

#### MEMORIALS

People for Paws

For I am already being poured out like a drink offering, and the time for my departure is near. I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. Now there is in store for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, will award to me on that day - and not only to me, but also to all who have longed for His appearing.

2 Timothy 4:6-8



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