William Dale Perdew, the son of Walter and Daycl Boswell Perdew, was born at Omaha, Nebraska on July 5, 1942 and passed away at Shenandoah, Iowa on Saturday, September 6, 2003, at the age of 61. Bill was raised in the Pawnee City, Nebraska area and attended school there. At the age of 16 he moved to Shenandoah to work for Mount Arbor Nursery Company, later driving a taxi in Shenandoah before becoming a trucker. Bill was united in marriage to Ethel May on June 16, 1966 at Rockport, Missouri. He was a member of the Memorial Baptist Church in Shenandoah. Bill enjoyed fishing and hunting, and was an outgoing, strong-willed and friendly person.

Preceding him in death was his mother. Survivors include his wife, Ethel Perdew of Shenandoah, Ia.; a daughter Debra Engle and husband Todd of Omaha, Ne., a son Todd Perdew and his fiance Brandi Johnson of Farragut, Iowa; two grand-children, Faith and Jared Engle of Omaha, Ne.; his father Walter Perdew of Beatrice, Ne.; three brothers, Dick Perdew of David City, Nebraska, Joel Perdew of Lincoln, Ne., John Perdew of Adams, Ne.; four sisters, Becky Bixemmann of Bellfair, Washington, Cathy Roschewski of Burchard, Ne., Judy Bausch of Pawnee City, Ne., and Nancy Vogt of Lincoln, Ne.; along with a host of other relatives and friends.