



In Loving Memory

*George H. Vance*



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**George Harold Vance** (Uncle George), of Shenandoah, IA passed away unexpectedly on Tuesday evening, February 8th, 2022, at his home at the age of 69 years, 5 months, and 2 days .

He was born September 6, 1952, in Trenton, Missouri to Charles Gaylord Vance Sr and Anna Belle (Wallace) Vance. The family consisted of 6, including his siblings, Julia May, Charles Gaylord Jr., and Kathy Lane. The family moved to Shenandoah, Iowa in 1959 and attended its schools. This is where George's love for the Shenandoah Mustangs and Fillies began.

George began his career at the age of 16 in the Earl May Tree Pit. At the time Earl May and Henry Fields were in close business. George later retired from the industry after the closing of Henry Fields.

His love for the community never went unnoticed. George attended all the local sporting events that he could. He cheered on the Mustangs and Fillies if his great nieces and nephews weren't on the opposing teams. He could usually be seen riding around the town on his bicycle.

Besides his love for the Mustangs and Fillies, George LOVED racing. One of his greatest memories was when he spent a whole weekend with his nephew, Brian Hammons, at the Kansas City, Missouri Speedway. During racing season you'd always find George at a track. Locally he would go to Corning with Diane and Zach Kirk to cheer on the local racers. His all-time favorite professional driver was Rusty Wallace. Which is where his first beloved fur baby, a wiener dog, got the name Rusty. Rusty may have been his first fur baby, but the real love of his life was found in a dog named Daisy, after the passing of his mother Anna Belle.

Another sport George loved was football. The Dallas Cowboys were his favorite team, but in a close second were the Nebraska Cornhuskers. He was also a fan of the Kansas City Chiefs. One of his favorite memories was going to a Chiefs game with his best friend John Cloepfil. Even though his favorite collegiate school were the Cornhuskers, he became a new fan of the Iowa State Cyclones. Like any proud uncle, he became a new fan, because his great niece, Mya Hammons, would be attending Iowa State in the fall.

George had many hobbies outside of watching sports. He loved playing The Sims and NASCAR on his PS4. Not many of his days were missed enjoying a pop at Hy-Vee with John, Dwayne, and Jimmy John. He enjoyed putting together model cars and of course, we can't forget, his love of decorating for Halloween. He would plan for days or even months to come up with the perfect theme for his home each year. It was something he took pride in each year and a way for him to entertain and show off to the community how much he enjoyed making people smile. His love and joy for Halloween eventually spread to other family members. His great niece, Payton Hammons, participated with him for several years by helping him hand out candy.

Preceding George in death were his parents, Charles G. Vance, Sr., Anna Belle Vance, siblings, Julia Terry 1988, and Charles G. Vance, Jr. in 1992 and recently his Dog Daisy on 1/21/2022. Survivors include his sister Kathy Hammons and her husband Frank, of Shenandoah, sister in law Maxine Vance of Shenandoah; nephews and niece; Lonney Terry and wife Tracy of Red Oak, Kevin Terry and wife Cheryl of Essex, Tony Vance and wife Kristi of Shenandoah, Steve Vance and wife Amy of Atlantic, Brian Hammons and wife Renee' of Shenandoah, Mark Hammons and wife Andrea of Fort Collins, CO, and Brenda Haynie and husband Shane of Shenandoah; 12 great nephews and nieces along with many other family and friends.

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## *George Harold Vance*

September 6, 1952 ~ February 8, 2022  
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### *Celebration of Life Funeral Service*

10:00 AM

Saturday, February 19, 2022

Nishna Valley Funeral Home

Shenandoah, Iowa

Pastor Roy Nelson ~ Officiant

Dean Adkin ~ Memories

### *Music*

"How Great Thou Art"

"Go Rest High On That Mountain"

"If I Had Only Known"

### *Bearers*

Brian Hammons      Lonney Terry

Kevin Terry          Tony Vance

Steve Vance          Brenda Haynie

### *Honorary Bearers*

Mark Hammons      John Cloepfil

### *Usher*

Cameron Vance      Zach Vance

### *Registry Attendant*

Pam Ditmars

### *Flower Attendants*

Randy Weston      Rawn Weston

### *Burial*

Rose Hill Cemetery ~ Shenandoah, Iowa

### *Memorials*

To the Family