



## Richard "Rocky" Wilford Withers

March 7, 1940 - April 2, 2011

Martinsburg, Iowa

Visitation: 3:00 to 5:00 P.M., with family present from 5:00 to 7:00 P.M. April 05, 2011 at Fremont Funeral Chapel

Funeral Service: 10:30 a.m. April 06, 2011 at Fremont Funeral Chapel

Interment: Mt. Zion Cemetery, near Martinsburg, Iowa

Richard "Rocky" Wilford Withers, 71, of Martinsburg, passed away Saturday, April 2, 2011, at the Ottumwa Regional Health Center in Ottumwa, Iowa. He was born March 7, 1940, in Des Moines, Iowa. As a baby, Richard was adopted by Harry and Minnie Jackson Withers. On October 20, 1956, he was united in marriage to Barbara Bagley. He had various jobs, including: School bus driver and custodian at the Hedrick Community School, and delivering for MeJon Fertilizer in Hedrick. In 1969, he started working in the foundry for Clow Valve in Oskaloosa. He remained employed there until 1982, when he

became disabled as a result of an automobile accident. Richard enjoyed woodworking, raising cattle, and fishing. He also enjoyed visiting and sharing his faith with people; he especially enjoyed visiting with those in care facilities. He was a devoted husband and family man. Richard will be remembered as having a good sense of humor and being very quick-witted. He was also very giving and always concerned about the well being of others. He was a former Martinsburg City Councilman.

Richard's family includes his wife of over 54 years, Barbara Withers, of Martinsburg, Iowa; three daughters and their husbands: Cathy and Keith Moore of Dayton, Ohio, Nancy and Tim Baker of Winterset, Iowa, and Pam and Richie Muntz of Agency, Iowa; a son and his wife: Terry and Kim Withers of Indianola, Iowa; ten grandchildren: Joey Richardson, Jessica Beal, Jennifer Johnston, Melissa Baker, Vanessa Muntz, Breanna Muntz, Elijah Muntz, Elizabeth Smith, Tasha Miller, and Teah Miller; his biological mother: Helen Meier of Davenport; two half-sisters; and two half-brothers. He was preceded in death by his adoptive parents; a brother, Gene Grandstaff; and a grandson, Jeffrey Muntz.

The Fremont Funeral Chapel is in charge of the arrangements.

Memorials may be made to the Richard Withers Memorial Fund.