

DuBois , NE

Terry Lynn Schafer, was born to Albert William and Florence Irene (Hunzeker) Schafer in Pawnee City, Nebraska on January 11, 1945. Terry passed away in his home in Du Bois, Nebraska on April 12, 2017. He was 72 years old.

As a child he attended the Pawnee County District 31 Union Grade School and the District 15 Hunzeker school west of the family farm where he grew up. He graduated from Pawnee City High School in 1963. In high school, he was a member of the FFA, and as a senior was awarded the Nebraska State Farmer award.

Terry was married to Cathy Klepper on July 3, 1966 in Pawnee City, Nebraska. Terry and Cathy made their home on the family farm outside of Du Bois, Nebraska. They welcomed four children: Theresa Lynnette, Tammy Jo, John William and Leighton Ray. They were blessed to have eight grandchildren; two girls and six boys.

Terry, Cathy and their children enjoyed working together on the family farm. He had a herd of dairy cattle, and raised horses, pigs, chickens, sheep, and farmed a variety of field crops. Terry was a hard worker, often working around the clock in the dairy barn and in the fields. He enjoyed combining the most; he said it was relaxing. Terry loved the smell of newly turned dirt and freshly cut alfalfa. In fact, after moving to the city he would stop along the side of the road to pick up a handful of fresh cut alfalfa and throw it on the floorboard of the truck so he could enjoy the smell for the day.

In 1984, the family moved to Mesa, Arizona where Terry was self employed as a carpenter. Terry was a Jack-of-All-Trades and could fix anything with the resources that he had. He labeled himself The Redneck Engineering Company.

Growing tired of city life, and desiring to be close to family, Terry and Cathy moved back to Du Bois in 1994 where he continues working in construction and lovingly restored their 100-year-home where he lived out the rest of his life.

Family was the most important thing to Terry; he was a loving husband, father and grandfather.

Terry was preceded in death by his parents, Albert and Florence Schafer and brother Larry.

He is survived by his wife, Cathy and his four children and their spouses: Theresa and Troy Huffman of Aurora, CO; Tammy and David Weber of Superior, WI, John and Dena Schafer of Goodyear, Az, Leighton Schafer and Amelia Morcuende of Du Bois, NE; eight grandchildren: William and Matthew Stephens, Joe and Georgina Weber, Justin, Ashley, and Joshua Schafer, and Michael Schafer, many in-laws, nieces and nephews, and many other family and friends

Services 10:30 a.m., Saturday, April 15, 2017 at Faith Baptist Church, Pawnee City, Nebraska.

Officiating Chris Rohrbaugh. Visitation, no viewing on Friday, April 14, 2016 from 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., with family greeting friends from 5-7 p.m. at Wherry Mortuary, 919 G Street, Pawnee City, Nebraska. Inurnment at the Pawnee City Cemetery, Pawnee City, Nebraska at a later date. Memorials to family choice. On line condolence may be left at [www.wherrymortuary.com](http://www.wherrymortuary.com)