Effingham, KS

Todd Walter Eckert, 52, of Effingham, KS, passed away Friday, June 1, 2018 at the Atchison Hospital.

Mass of Christian Burial will be 10:30 AM, Friday, June 8, 2018 at St. Ann's Catholic Church with Fr. Benjamin Tremmel, OSB as Celebrant. Burial will follow at St. Ann's Catholic Cemetery. A Parish Rosary will be recited at 6:00 PM, Thursday, June 7, 2018 at the church, with visitation with the family following until 8:30 PM. Todd will lay in state at the Becker Chapel 402 3rd St, Effingham on Thursday, June 7, 2018 from 9:00 AM to 3:30 PM. Memorials are suggested to the Todd Eckert Memorial Scholarship Fund and may be sent in care of the Becker-Dyer-Stanton Funeral Home, who has been entrusted with the arrangements. Online condolences may be left at <u>www.beckerdyer.com</u>.

Todd was born on October 27, 1965 in Horton, KS the son of Russell and Carol (Hundley) Eckert. He graduated from ACCHS in 1984 and then attended North Central Technical College, Beloit, KS earning an Associate's degree in Diesel Technology. Todd was a Field Service Diesel Mechanic for thirty-two years, having worked for Martin Tractor, Topeka, KS and more recent North East Kansas Harvest Center, Valley Falls, KS. He was a member of St. Ann's Catholic Church, the Atchison County Rural Fire District #2 Board Member as well as a volunteer Firefighter and EMT, along with serving on the Effingham City Council. Todd was involved in 4-H and enjoyed being outdoors whether that was being on a tractor, fishing, camping, boating, racing of all types and working on antique tractors and cars.

Todd married Janet Blackwell on June 27, 1986, she survives of the home. Additional survivors include his father, Russell Eckert, Effingham, KS, two sons; Russell and Rick Eckert, Effingham, KS; four brothers, Brett (Jacki) Eckert, Hutchinson, KS, Chad (Danielle) Eckert, Spring Hill, KS, Kurt Eckert, Overland Park, KS, Russ Eckert, Park City, KS and mother-in-law, Edna Blackwell of the home.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Carol Eckert and an uncle, Andrew Vincent Eckert.