Humboldt, NE

John Allen Rist, 73, of Humboldt, Nebraska was born on January 27, 1948 in Humboldt, Nebraska to Louis G. and Marjorie (Baker) Rist. He was raised on a farm southwest of Humboldt and attended school in Humboldt. John was proud of his heritage. He was the fifth generation of a Swiss family that came to Humboldt in 1856. Now there are seven generations who have lived in Nebraska and he was named after his great-grandfather, John Rist. John graduated from Humboldt High School with the class of 1966 and continued his education at Peru State College. He graduated from Peru State College in 1970 with a Bachelor's of Science in Business Education. John then taught Business Education at Columbus High School from 1971 to 1981. He then changed courses and became manager of the American Legion Club in Humboldt from 1981 to 2006. From 2007 to 2010 John worked at True-Value Hardware as a weekend manager and assistant manager during the week until retiring in 2010.

In 1981, John was united in marriage to Loretta E. Buss. The couple raised three children Tammy, Nicole and Marcus who all graduated from Humboldt High School. He was especially proud that all three went on to graduate college and on to having successful careers. John enjoyed gardening and working on puzzles. He also enjoyed working in the yard and planting flowers.

John passed away on Friday, August 27, 2021, at the University of Nebraska Medical Center in Omaha, Nebraska having reached the earthly age of seventy-three years and seven months. He was preceded in death by his parents, brother Ronald Rist and brother-in-law Jerry Stalder.

John is survived by his loving wife Loretta Rist of Humboldt, NE; children: Tammy Rowe and husband Mike of Johnson, NE; Nicole Rist of Humboldt, NE; Marcus Rist and wife Jamie of Adams, NE; grandchildren: Tori and Dylan Rowe, Emery and Leighton Rist, a sister Sharon Stalder of Syracuse, NE; a brother Richard Rist and wife Mary of Madison, WI; sister-in-law Sherryn Rist of Humboldt, NE; and many nieces, nephews, relatives and friends.

A Celebration of John's Life will be held from 11:00 a.m.to 1:00 p.m. on Saturday, September 4, 2021, at The Christian Church in Humboldt, Nebraska with Pastor Howard Blecha officiating. A Private Family Inurnment will be prior to services at the Humboldt Cemetery.

A register book will be available for signing from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. on Friday, September 3, 2021, at the Wherry Mortuary, 207 N. Nemaha Street in Humboldt, Nebraska.

Memorial contributions may be given to the family's choice with a later designation.

Online messages of condolence can be left at www.wherrymortuary.com