



William Richard "Bill" Plugge, 65, of Bartlett, Nebraska died July 26, 2018 at the Community Memorial Health Center in Burwell, Nebraska.

A memorial service will be at 10:00 a.m. Tuesday, July 31, 2018 at Hitchcock Funeral Home in Burwell, Nebraska. Inurnment will be in the Bartlett Cemetery in Bartlett, Nebraska. Memorials are suggested to the family. Hitchcock Funeral Home in Burwell is in charge of arrangements.

Bill was born September 27, 1952 in Spalding, Nebraska to Emil and Josephine (Stromer) Plugge. Bill graduated from Wheeler Central High School in 1971. Bill entered the United States Marine Corps on April 27, 1972 and was stationed at San Diego, California for thirteen weeks. He then spent the next nineteen months and three weeks in Twentynine Palms Marine Base in California. Bill was honorably discharged on April 26, 1974.

Bill worked at various places including the feedlots for Foxley Feed Yard and Kansas Western Feed Yard but also for Wagonhammer Ranch, Mignery Ranch and a feedlot in Bayard, NE. He also worked in St. Paul for the State Department of Roads and after that he ran a maintainer for the Wheeler County Roads Department. He also drove the Wheeler Central School bus until his retirement.

Bill loved to hunt, garden and cruise around Bartlett, but his grandkids were his life.

Bill is survived by a daughter, Jeannie and Darrin Erickson of Ericson, Nebraska and three grandchildren, Courtney, Bryson and Jayden and three brothers, Victor and Marcia Plugge of Ord, Nebraska, Jesse and Connie Plugge of Bartlett, Nebraska and Roy and Lu Plugge of Bartlett, Nebraska and many nieces and nephews.

Bill was preceded in death by his parents, one brother, Wayne Plugge and two sisters, Martha Hoerle and Gladys McConnell.