



Stephen Zane Gideon, 74, of Burwell, Nebraska died June 25, 2023 at his home, working - doing what he loved.

His family is honoring Zane's wish to be cremated. In keeping with Zane's spirit, the family will also have a Celebration of Life Ceremony on Thursday, June 29, 2023 at 5:30 p.m. at the Calamus Trinity Methodist Church at 917 I Street in Burwell, Nebraska.

Zane was born August 4, 1948 to Melvin "Cash" and Evelyn (Wells) Gideon in Burwell, Nebraska. Zane graduated from Burwell High School in 1966. On June 18, 1968 Zane enlisted in the United States Army, serving in Korea before being honorably discharged on June 2, 1970.

Zane had a passion for hard work, and was involved in many vocations over the years. He was a business partner in Deisel Erectors with his dad. He helped build the Calamus Reservoir, and worked at Twin Loup, Garfield County Roads Department, and for more than 20 years at the State of Nebraska Roads Department, where he would say he put his time in and then "went home to work".

Zane also started Gideon Septic Tank Service, where he was number one in the number two business.

Zane enjoyed fishing, hunting (coyote hunting in particular), and all outdoors activities. He had a ready smile and a word of greeting for everyone he knew - and that was everyone. Among his many jobs, he always found a way to help out anyone who needed it.

His family was incredibly important to him, and one of many topics Zane could talk your ear off about. His children and grandchildren knew they were loved, whether it came in the form of a tractor lesson, fishing trip, visit from Santa, or just a strong hug with a little tickle from a scratchy beard.

Zane is survived by a daughter, Carie and Peter Kovach of Fayetteville, Arkansas and two sons, Cash Gideon and Cole and Gina Gideon all of Kearney, Nebraska. Three grandchildren, Trinity Freeman, Kree Gideon and Collin Keen. Four brothers, Dave and Sandy Gideon, Mel and Jan Gideon, Yohn Gideon and Patti Bolli and Matt and Sara Gideon all of Burwell, Nebraska, many nieces and nephews and Pat Gideon of Kearney, Nebraska.

Zane was preceded in death by his parents.