

Michael Ray Schramm Sr.

Michael Ray Schramm Sr., 57, of Flat Rock, Mich. died in a motorcycle accident in South Dakota on Monday, Aug. 6, 2012.

He was born on July 26, 1955 in Burlington, Iowa, the son of Ernest J. Schramm and Mary Jo Cousins.

Michael was assistant director of the agricultural implement department for U.A.W. International. Michael worked at J.I. Case for 27 years. He started his labor union career as president of Local 807 then worked his way up with the U.A.W. to his current position.

He enjoyed motorcycling, boating, golfing, fishing, pheasant and deer hunting. Michael was very active and also enjoyed having a good time with all of his friends. He was a diehard Minnesota Vikings fan. He adored his grandkids, nieces and nephews. He was known for his great sense of humor.

He is survived by his mother, Mary Jo (Bernie) Oltman of Burlington, Iowa; one son, Michael Ray (Crystal Brown) Schramm Jr. of Stronghurst, Ill.; one daughter, Tasha Dawn (Seth) Bundy of Stronghurst, Ill.; one brother, Rodney Schramm of Burlington, Iowa; one sister, Suzan Carman of Burlington, Iowa; five grandchildren, Taylor, Tyren, Trevor,

Annamae and Mikey III; four stepsisters, several nieces and nephews, and a special friend, Angie Hightower of Michigan.

He was preceded in death by his father, grandparents, four uncles and one aunt.

The family will receive friends 5-7 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 12, 2012, at Bethany Lutheran Church, Burlington, Iowa. Funeral services will be 10:30 a.m. Monday, Aug. 13, 2012, also at the church. Rev. Rick Biedermann will officiate. Interment will be in Burlington Memorial Park Cemetery. A luncheon at the Burlington Auditorium Banquet Room will follow the graveside committal service.

A memorial has been established in memory of Michael Schramm Sr.