



DANNY "DAN" K. GRAN

March 20, 1960 - May 31, 2013

Danny "Dan" K. Gran, 53 of Freeburg, died after a courageous 6 year battle with cancer on Tues., May 21, 2013 at his home surrounded by his family. He was born March 20, 1960 in LaCrosse, WI, to Arlin and Jean (Schaller) Gran. He lived in LaCrescent and attended school there until 2nd grade, and then moved to Reno and attended Brownsville, Freeburg and Caledonia schools, graduating from Caledonia High School in 1978. He attended Willmar Vo-Tech, graduating from the diesel mechanic program. Dan and friends moved to Wyoming for a time and he made lifelong memories with these very special friends.

Dan married Regina "Gina" Bauer May 10, 1986 at St. Mary's Catholic Church, Caledonia. He worked as a diesel mechanic at Reinhart Food, La Crosse until his health required him to retire. Dan talked about his teenage years working on his grandparents farm in Freeburg. He was so proud when he purchased his own farm in Freeburg in 1995 and built his cabin. His passion for hunting instilled in him by his own father has been passed down to his kids. Dan may not have been a religious man in the sense of going to church every Sunday, but if you saw him out on his tractor, or on his four wheeler checking cattle, that was his way of loving God, life and nature, and the beautiful farm the Good Lord blessed him with.

He is survived by his wife, Gina; his parents, Arlin and Jean Gran; and his children, Cassie, Lindsay and Tanner Gran, all of Caledonia; his sister and her family, Leann (Russ), Chance and Chelsea Finlay of Dade City, FL; his brothers and their families, Mike (Karen), Zach, Courtney, and Josh Gran, of Caledonia and Greg (Tina) and Kyle Gran of Reno, MN; his mother and father in law, Gordon and Wanda Bauer; his brothers and sisters in law, Dan Bauer, Greg Bauer, Maria Keefe, Brian (Kim) Bauer, Sara (Tracy) Ludgood and Kevin (Kerri) Bauer; and many other family members and friends.

He was preceded in death by his grandparents, William and Blanche Schaller, Myrtle Stugen, and Adolph "Duffy" Gran.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be at 10:30 am, Friday, May 24, at St. Mary's Catholic Church, Caledonia. Father Paul Breza will officiate and burial will be in Evangelical Church of Peace Cemetery, Freeburg, with Rev. William Resse officiating at the committal. Visitation will be from 4 to 8 pm on Thursday at Holy family Hall, next to St. Mary's, where a prayer service will be held at 7:30pm. Visitation will also be one hour prior to the service at the church on Friday. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be given to St. Mary's School or Evangelical Church of Peace Cemetery. McCormick Funeral Home, Caledonia is assisting the family.

"Sometimes, All I need is the air that I breathe and to love you. "

All I Need by the Hollies