

# Dale W. Grotefendt

**Marine | Sunday, July 25 2021**

Dale W. Grotefendt, age 63 of Marine, IL, died Sunday, July 25, 2021, at his home in Marine, IL.

He was born on Tuesday, April 08, 1958, in Highland, IL, the son of Harold and Velma (nee Conrad) Grotefendt.

On Friday, June 22, 1990, he married Kay A. Grotefendt, nee Schallenberg, at the United Church of Christ of Marine, who survives.

He was a member of United Church of Christ of Marine; United Church of Christ of Marine Youth Group; Marine Cemetery Board; Director on the Madison County Farm Bureau Board; Local #520 - Operating Engineers, Swansea, IL.



Dale was born in Highland and grew up on a farm northeast of Marine. He graduated from Triad High School in 1976; that year he received the DeKalb Agriculture Accomplishment Award; was the President of FFA at Triad High School; played high school basketball and played the trombone for the high school band. He attended SIU-E. He helped with the operation of the farm with his father and mother. In the early 2000's, he became an operating engineer, operating heavy equipment. On January 1, 2020, he retired from the operating engineers because of health issues. He coached baseball, soccer and basketball with his son and with his daughter coached soccer, softball, basketball and cheerleading. He travelled to Ireland, Scotland, Wales and Liverpool as a chaperone for his daughters college soccer team.

Survivors include: Wife - Kay A. Grotefendt, nee Schallenberg, Marine, IL; Son - Ty F. (Corey) Grotefendt, Belleville, IL; Daughter - Michelle Lynn Grotefendt, Marine, IL; Grandchild - Ryker W. Grotefendt, Belleville, IL; Brother - Rande H. (Judith)

Grotefendt, Longview, TX; Brother - Brad L. Grotefendt, Marine, IL; Sister In-Law - Shirley A. Carroll, Bunker Hill, IL.

He was preceded in death by: Father - Harold Frederick Albert Grotefendt - Died 1/29 /2012; Mother - Velma June Grotefendt, nee Conrad - Died 8/6/2018; Brother In-Law - James Carroll - Died 1/17/1995; Brother In-Law - Allen Schallenberg - Died 9/4/2009.

Arrangements are being handled by Spengel-Boulanger Funeral Home in Highland, IL.

Visitation will be held from 4:00 PM to 8:00 PM on Thursday, July 29, 2021, at Spengel-Boulanger Funeral Home in Highland, IL and from 9:00 AM to 10:00 AM on Friday, July 30, 2021, at United Church of Christ of Marine in Marine, IL.

Funeral Service will be at 10:00 AM on Friday, July 30, 2021, at United Church of Christ of Marine in Marine, IL, with Rev. Philip H. Kershner, Pastor, officiating.

Interment will be at Marine Cemetery in Marine, IL.

Memorial contributions may be made to United Church of Christ of Marine or St. Jude Children's Research Hospital.