

Duane John Antonsen was born March 18, 1952 in Perham, Minnesota, the son of Ervin and Alma (Hoffman) Antonsen. He passed away Saturday, June 23, 2018 at the Minneapolis VA Hospital.

He was baptized at St. Paul's Lutheran Church Loon Lake and confirmed at the United Methodist Church in Vergas. Duane grew up in the Vergas area and graduated from Perham High School with the class of 1970.

Duane proudly served his country in the United States Navy receiving his honorable discharge in 1974. He was on the USS Preble during the Vietnam Conflict and was also stationed in Hawaii.

He returned to the Vergas area and worked in the water well drilling business with his brother. Duane began a career with the United States Postal Service that would span for over 20 years retiring from the Detroit Lakes office in 2014.

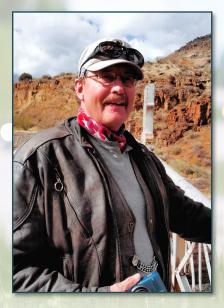
Duane was a member of the Perham VFW #4020 and the Patriot Guard. He enjoyed fishing, hunting, woodworking, gardening, riding his Harley Davidson, and was an avid conservationist. He liked to travel and had spent the last three winters in Apache Junction, Arizona.

He is survived by his brother: Dave (Sandy) Antonsen of Vergas; sister: Maryann Schoenheit of Fargo; nieces and nephews: Michelle (Brian) Archer, Jolyn Antonsen, Todd Tronnes, Tabetha Tronnes, Heather (Nate) Winblad; great nieces: Anika Tronnes, Cynthia Winblad; great nephews: Nathan Tronnes, Anthony Winblad; special friend: Karyn Bright of Vergas, and numerous cousins.

Duane was preceded in death by his parents: Ervin and Alma Antonsen, brother: John (Elaine) Antonsen, brother-in-laws: Ronnie Tronnes and Ron Schoenheit.









You only go around once, if done right, once is enough. It's not a journey to the grave with the intent of arriving safely in one well preserved piece, but rather to slide in broadside, thoroughly used up, totally worn out and proudly proclaiming...

"WOW WHAT A RIDE!"

A Legacy Remembered

Duane John Antonsen

Age 66

Date of Birth March 18, 1952 Perham, Minnesota

Memorial Service

Saturday, June 30, 2018 ~ 11:00 a.m.

Officiant

Myron Gunderson

Special Music

Eilert Helm, Soloist "Amazing Grace"

Interment

Sybil Lake Cemetery Vergas, Minnesota

Date of Death

June 23, 2018 Minneapolis, Minnesota

Honorary Urn Bearers

Todd Tronnes Jeff Sailer Dennis Edwards Kevin Glawe Charles Jordan Patriot Guard

Military Honors Presented By

VFW Perham Post #4020