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Martin was born on February 14, 1954, the son of Gilbert and Elaine (Slock) Krug, in Geneseo, IL. He graduated from Atkinson High School, class of 1972. He farmed for many years in rural Atkinson and was employed at Tyson within the quality control department. Martin married Penny Wolf in 1976, they later divorced. He was an alumni of the FFA, played football, and wrestled when in school. He enjoyed showing animals at the Henry County Fair and farming. He especially loved his family and spending time with his grandchildren.

Those left to cherish his memory include his children, Heidi (Justin) Nanninga and Scott (Jenna Manning) Krug, both of Atkinson; grandchildren, Matthew, Zackery, Hailey, Cara, Kaylei, and McKenzie; and siblings, Patrick Krug of Florida, Kris (Cassie) Krug of Mascoutah, IL, and Kathleen VerCautren of Geneseo.

Martin was preceded in death by his parents, Gilbert and Elaine Krug; and one sister, Christine Krug.



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**God Made A Farmer**

And on the 8th day, God looked down on his planned paradise and said, I need a caretaker.

So God Made a Farmer.

God said, I need somebody strong enough to clear trees and heave bales, yet gentle enough to tame lambs and wean pigs and tend the pink combed pullets, who will stop his mower for an hour to splint the broken leg of a Meadow Lark.

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It had to be somebody who'd plow deep and straight and not cut corners, somebody to seed and weed, feed and breed, rake and disc, plow and plant, tied the fleece and strain the milk. Somebody who'd bale a family together with the soft, strong bonds of sharing, who'd laugh and then sigh, and then reply with smiling eyes when his son says he wants to spend his life doing what Dad does.

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