

Harold G.A. "Grubby" Grobstick Obituary

Harold G.A. 'Grubby' Grobstick, 72, of Maquoketa, and formerly of Davenport, Iowa, died on Monday evening, September 10, 2012, at his home in Maquoketa, Iowa. A celebration of Harold's life will be held at 10:30 A.M., Friday, September 14, 2012, from the Carson Celebration of Life Center in Maquoketa, Iowa. Visitation will be held from 4 to 7 P.M. on Thursday, September 13, 2012 from the Carson Celebration of Life Center in Maquoketa, Iowa. Burial will be at the Mount Hope Cemetery, Maquoketa, Iowa, with military honors.

Harold George Albert Grobstick was born on October 9, 1939 in Clinton County, Iowa, to Harold and Florence (Fluke) Grobstick. He grew up in DeWitt and attended St. Joseph's School prior to entering the military. He served in the U.S. Navy on the U.S.S. Boston from 1956 to 1960. He married Linda L. Schnoor on July 1, 1989 in Davenport, Iowa. After receiving an honorable discharge, 'Grubby' worked for various Ford Dealerships in the Quad Cities area as a parts manager for many years. From 1988 until present he had been a bartender at Bleyarts Tap in Davenport. He had a signature phrase that he would tell each customer as they left the bar, 'God bless you brother and don't drive without your car.' 'Grubby' was of the Catholic faith and was a member of the Knights of Columbus and VFW, both in Davenport.

He was an avid Hawkeyes, Cubs and Bears fan, and a Ford fan. He was a good athlete when he was younger, and was an excellent racquetball player. He especially loved spending time with his grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Harold is survived by his wife, Linda Grobstick of Maquoketa, IA; children, Debra (Delbert) Shaw of Eldridge, IA, Melanie (Roger) Thiering of Davenport, IA and James (Terry) Grobstick of Davenport, IA; 6 grandchildren, 11 great-grandchildren; sisters, Sue (Bob) Laxy of Moline, IL, and Dorothy Rettkowski of Sabula, IA; and nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents, a brother, Richard, and a brother-in-law, Michael Rettkowski.

In lieu of other expressions of sympathy, a Harold G.A. 'Grubby' Grobstick memorial fund has been established. Online condolences may be left at www.CarsonAndSon.com. Visition Thursday, September 13, 2012 AT 4:00 pm - 7:00 pm Carson Celebration of Life Center318 West Pleasant Street Maquoketa,lowa 52060ServiceFriday, September 14, 2012 AT 10:30 am Carson Celebration of Life Center318 West Pleasant Street Maquoketa,lowa 52060