

Ricky J Wilbur, 60, of rural Boyd, died on Sunday, January 28, 2024 at his home with his family by his side. He was born on March 2, 1963 at Victory Memorial Hospital-Stanley to Charles and Marian (Lockhart) Wilbur. Ricky grew up south of Boyd and graduated from Stanley-Boyd High School in 1981. He later married his high school sweetheart, Debra Reit on May 11, 1985.



Rick worked for the Village of Unity for several years and even served as part of their Fire Department. He later became a member of the laborers' Union 268 where he worked on sewer and pipe, most recently pipeline construction where he traveled all over the U.S. He later retired from the union in 2018, at the age of 55. Rick's greatest passions included hunting, fishing, trapping, and making his own sausage in his free time. When not braving the outdoors, however, he especially enjoyed spending time with his grandchildren, telling them all kinds of stories about his adventures throughout the years.

He is survived by his wife of 38 years, Deb; his children Ricky Wilbur of Linn, MO, Kayla (Mark) Lewallen of Boyd, Courtney (Ryan Kroepelin) Wilbur, Shauna Wilbur, and Kyle Wilbur all of Stanley; 10 grandchildren Gracie, Michael, Matthew, Laynie, Memphis, Aiden, Jax, Rayna, Rue, and Bryer; his parents Charles Wilbur and Marian Lockhart; his siblings Ron (Lana) Wilbur, Michelle (Mitch Cliver) Schaefer both of Withee, Laura (Jim) Junker of Boyd, and Nancy (Brian) Geiger of Owen, and his brother-in-law John Reit of Stanley. Rick is preceded in death by his stepmother, Judy Wilbur; his brother, Rob; his in-laws Jack and Virgean Reit; and close friend, Tom Kotts.

A private family service will be held at a later date. Plombon Funeral Service assisted the family with arrangements.