

GHR Thursday 03/06/2025

Gary Weyrauch

Gary Weyrauch, 74 of Grinnell, Iowa died on March 3, 2025 at Lutheran Hospital in Des Moines.

A private graveside service will be held at Hazelwood Cemetery in Grinnell. Memorials may be designated to Smith Monument to purchase a memorial for Gary to be placed at Hazelwood Cemetery in Grinnell. Memorials may be mailed in care of the Smith Funeral Home and Crematory, PO Box 368, Grinnell, IA 50112. Memories and condolences may be shared online at www.smithfh.com.

Gary Wayne Weyrauch was born in Grinnell on Aug. 30, 1950, to Wells and Ilene (Pickhardt) Weyrauch. He was raised in Grinnell and he graduated from Grinnell High School in 1968.

Gary worked at his family's greenhouse, Weyrauch Flower Center until its closing. He did seasonal work at many area factories and construction companies to have time to make fresh evergreen garland and wreaths for sale.

Gary is probably best known for his addition to the Grinnell farmers market, selling concrete statues and plants. In addition to that, he will be remembered as the man who resembled Santa and delivered to the Des Moines Register for over two decades.

Gary was preceded in death by his parents and his brother Neal.