

Lynn James Beland, 63, of Burwell, Nebraska died February 19, 2016 at the University of Nebraska Medical Center in Omaha, Nebraska.

Funeral services will be 10:30 a.m. Thursday February 25, 2016 at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Burwell. Burial will be in Cottonwood Cemetery in Burwell. Fr. Mark Maresh and Fr. Josh Brown will officiate. Visitation will be Wednesday from 5 – 7 p.m. at Hitchcock Funeral Home in Burwell. Memorials are suggested to Sacred Heart Church or the Burwell Ambulance Fund.

Lynn was born February 10, 1953 in Broken Bow, Nebraska to James and Delores (Haumont) Beland. He graduated from Broken Bow High School in 1971. He then went on to Milford Technical College.

Lynn married Sandra Ackman. They had two children, Marcus and Renee and were later divorced.

Lynn was the shop foreman at Diers Motor Company in Grand Island and the Service Manager at Ranchland Ford in Broken Bow.

Lynn married Alma Denson on May 14, 1983 in Broken Bow. They moved to Burwell in 1989 where Lynn was co-owner of Calamus Marine in Burwell. He was forced to retire due to health issues.

Lynn enjoyed hunting, fishing, reading, fur trade reenactments, dabbling in writing, Civil and World War II history, Native American history, making knives and gunsmithing. Lynn has been a strong supporter for Alma in her work with Emergency Management from CERT Training to communication tower maintenance, mobile command unit and building design plans and grant writing assistance.

Lynn is survived by his wife Alma Beland of Burwell, Nebraska. Two children, Marcus Beland of Wood River, Nebraska and Renee and Rob Henderson of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. Three grandchildren, Madden and Mya Beland and Piper Henderson and a brother, Gary and Teresa Beland from Normal, Illinois. One Brother-In-Law and two Sisters-In-Law, David and Jeanette Denson of Broken Bow, Nebraska, Rosamay Wheeler of Grand Island, Nebraska, Laura and Mike Sheanshang of Alexandria, Kentucky and a host of nieces and nephews.

Lynn was preceded in death by his parents and his in-laws, Richard and Lucille Denson. One Brother-In-Law, Robert Wheeler and one nephew, Michael Sheanshang.