Aubrey D. Wilson

Aubrey D. Wilson was born on November 5, 1948, in Williamson, West Virginia, to William Roscoe and Connie (Myers) Wilson. He married Elizabeth (Betty) Crisi on May 9, 1970, in Savanna, Illinois.

Aubrey was employed for ADM for more than 30 years, most recently as the Safety Manager. He was a member of the Camanche Fire Department since 1974, serving in several positions--most recently as chief the past three years. He was also a veteran, having served with the U.S. Army from 1969 to 1971.

Survivors include his wife, Betty, of Camanche; one daughter, Teri (Brent) Brightman, of Camanche; one son, Mike (Laurie) Wilson of Clinton, Iowa; two granddaughters, Amber and Alyssa; his mother, Connie Varney, of Williamson, WVA; and one sister, Brenda (Estill) Nicholson, of Atlanta, Georgia.

Hundreds of people attended Aubrey's funeral on Feb. 23, 2006, in Clinton. His casket was drawn to the cemetery on an 1880s ladder wagon to Rose Hill Cemetery. The procession consisted of fire trucks and other departmental vehicles from more than 20 area departments. The Camanche Fire Department conducted graveside rites, including the "last alarm" ceremony.