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Obituary for Darrel Lee Bunge

Darrel Lee Bunge, 77, of Clear Lake, died Monday, January 15, 2018, at his home.

Per Darrel's wishes, his body has been cremated, and a private graveside inurnment will be at Memorial Park Cemetery in Mason City at a later date.

Darrel was born on May 25, 1940, the son of Elwood and Charlene (Starr) Bunge in Clarence, IA. He married Marcia Thurtle on May 25, 1968, at the Little Brown Church in Nashua.

A graduate of Clarence High School, Darrel attended Iowa State Teachers College in Cedar Falls, where he also was a pitcher on the baseball team. He later pitched in the Boston Red Sox organization before moving back to Iowa to teach school in Klemme and Wilton while also coaching all sports. After retiring from teaching he took over the family farm in Massillon, IA. He CategoryId=319&icn=desktop_memoriald_pnafila_pistatre#chapsake in December 1998, where he worked for Woodford Wheeler Lumber Company.

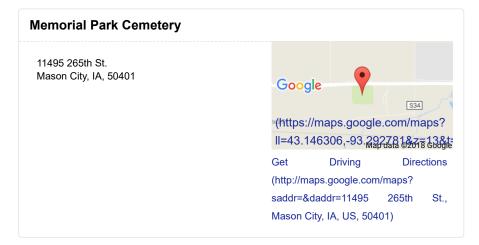
> Darrel was a United States Army veteran and was stationed at Ft. Sill in Oklahoma. He enjoyed farming and all sports, especially baseball and playing golf. He was a Minnesota Vikings, Chicago Cubs, Boston Red Sox, and Iowa Hawkeyes fan.

> Darrel is survived by his wife, Marcia Bunge of Clear Lake; three children, Michael Bunge of Mason City, Mark (Cheryl) Thada of Owatonna, MN and Dawn (Steve) Dieken of Clear Lake; six grandchildren, Paige (David) DeLacy, Kylea (Patrick) Draayer, Vaughn Thada, Derek Thada, Davis Dieken, and Grant Dieken; five great-grandchildren, Braylin and Kellen Dieken-Keahey, Calvin, William and Gabriel Draayer; two brothers, Terry (Carole) Bunge of Westminister, CO and their children, Jamie (Jim) Mason and Jason (Carla) Bunge, and Ron Bunge of Arizona.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

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