

Dan Brown

VERMILION, Ill. – Dan Brown, 61, of Vermilion died at 10:43 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 3, 2006, in Gibson City. He was retired after more than 30 years in maintenance with the Illinois Department of Transportation, and also worked part-time as a truck driver for Simonton Windows.

He was born April 22, 1945, in Fort Bragg, N.C., to Forrest Earl Brown and Virginia Lee Erfft Brown. He married Pama Lee Hancock Nov. 29, 1970, in Vermilion, and she survives. Other survivors include a daughter, Jacqueline Brown Lawson and her husband Marcus of Savoy; two brothers, Karl N. Brown and his wife Donna of Plainfield, Ind., and David J. Brown and his wife Joan of Marshall, Ill.; and two grandchildren, Connor Evan Lawson and Madeline Claire Lawson, both of Savoy.

He was a 1964 graduate of Paris High School and served in the U.S Army during the Vietnam War. He was member of Vermilion United Methodist Church, a life member and past master of Stratton Lodge 408 Ancient, Free & Accepted Masons, member Danville Scottish Rite Consistory, Ansar Shrine Temple, Edgar County Shrine Club, Edgar County Motor Clowns, member and past president Paris Lions Club, life member American Legion Post 211, 40 & 8, Paris Gold Wing Riders Club, worked with Habitat for Humanity and had served on the Vermilion Village board and the Vermilion Cemetery board for many years. He also served on the Red Cross of Edgar County board of directors and was active in organizing many blood drives. He enjoyed operating HAM radio, riding his Honda Silverwing scooter and spending time with his family and grandchildren.

Services celebrating his life will be conducted at 10 a.m. Tuesday in Templeton Funeral Home in Paris. Burial will follow in Vermilion Cemetery, with military graveside rites by American Legion Post 211 and Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 3601. Visitation will be 4 to 8 p.m. Monday in the funeral home, with Masonic rites conducted at 8 by Stratton Lodge 408.

For those who wish, the family suggests memorial contributions be made to Stratton Lodge 408 or Paris Lions Club, in care of the funeral home.

Source: Funeral card, ?