



Barry Thongvanh

July 7, 1950 - June 7, 2011

Barry Thongvanh, age 60, of Storm Lake, Iowa died Tuesday, June 7, 2011 in Storm Lake. Barry K. Thongvanh was born July 7, 1950 in Son La, North Vietnam the son of Sam and Choy (Quang-Thi) Thongvanh. Growing up, Barry attended school and later graduated from Dong Dok University in Laos in 1971. In 1972, Barry was united in marriage to Bouan Baccam in Vientiane, Laos. Together, they were blessed with four children: Mana, Vixa, Danny and Richey. On December 17, 1978, Barry was baptized and united with the Lakeside Presbyterian Church in Storm Lake where he served as a Church Elder. Barry was a founding member of the Central Asian Pacific Islander Commission (CAPI) and was the Commissioned Lay Pastor of the Prospect Hill Presbytery. He also was the Commissioned Lay Pastor of the Southeast Asian Christian Church. Barry graduated from Austin Theological Seminary School and served with the Southeast Asian Ministry Conference as the Board Secretary. Barry was employed by Prospect Hill Presbytery and Tyson Foods where he worked as the Chaplin and made several lifelong friendships. Barry loved traveling, gardening, and serving the Lord. He enjoyed helping and volunteering for those who needed his assistance. He treasured his family and enjoyed spending time with his grandchildren. Barry will be deeply missed by all who knew and loved him. Those left to cherish his memory include his wife of 38 years, Bouan Thongvanh of Storm Lake, Iowa; children: Mana (Manilay) Thongvanh of Des Moines, Iowa; Vixa (Kerri) Thongvanh of Apple Valley, Minnesota; Danny (Melissa) Thongvanh of Spencer, Iowa; Richey

(Mardi) Thongvanh of Des Moines, Iowa; grandchildren: Brady, Belle, Isaac, Lillian, Maddison, and Austin Thongvanh; parents, Sam and Choy Thongvanh; brothers: Khamfeung Thongvanh of Storm Lake, Iowa; Khamsouk (Khai) Thongvanh of Storm Lake, Iowa; sisters: Houng (Khamlo) Khounlo of Storm Lake, Iowa; Viengkeo (Bounrong) Synarong of Storm Lake, Iowa; Khamphiou Lonleauglith of Ontario, Canada; Khamfong (Curtis) Kemp of Bloomington, Minnesota; Khamla Baccam of Spencer, Iowa; many nieces and nephews; extended family and many friends. Barry was preceded in death by his brother, Khamkeung Thongvanh and niece, Keo Gail Khounlo.