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The son of Carl and Lucille Ahrens Butler, he was born June 12, 1939, at Grinnell. He was raised in the Brooklyn area and was a 1957 graduate of Brooklyn High School and later attended Parsons College at Fairfield. He was a veteran of the United States Army and served with the 82nd Airborne. He was married to Mary Niemann on Jan. 18, 1963, at Iowa City. The couple farmed

near Malcom and later moved to Grinnell in the mid-1970s. While in Grinnell, he was employed for several years with Manatts and later with Farmhand prior to operating his own trucking business. For the last few years, he managed several apartment complexes in Grinnell. He was a member of the Grinnell Eagles Lodge and Vintage Auto Club.

Survivors include three children, Jeff Butler of Bellevue, Neb., Andrew Butler of Atlanta, Ga., and Kelly Morris of Macomb, Ill.; one brother, Willis Butler of Sweeny, Texas, and two grandchildren.

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On January 18, 1963, Ronald married Mary Niemann in Iowa City. The couple farmed near Malcom. They later moved to Grinnell in the mid-1970s. He was employed for several years with Manatts, he worked as a farmhand prior to opening his own trucking business, and he managed several apartment complexes in Grinnell during the last few years.

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