

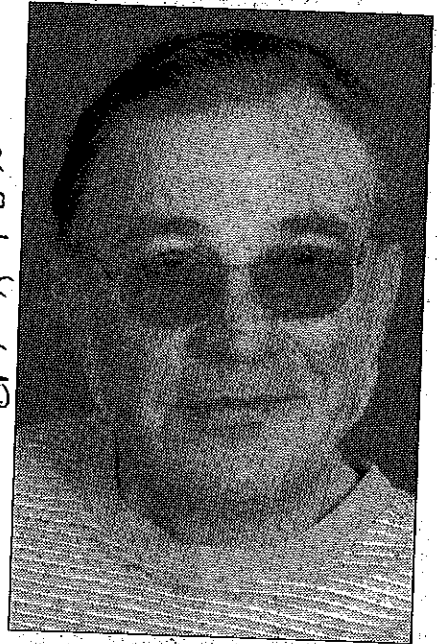
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William A. Gilliland

William A. Gilliland, 63, of Grinnell died Saturday, April 3, 2010, at Grinnell Regional Medical Center. Services are pending at Smith Funeral Home.

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Gr H-R 4-8-10



William A. "Bill" Gilliland, 63, of Grinnell died Saturday, April 3, 2010, at St. Francis Manor.

A graveside service and burial with military rites took place Thursday, April 8, at Hazelwood Cemetery with the Rev. Susan Sanning, chaplain of Grinnell Regional Hospice, officiating. Honorary bearers were Rick and Don Gilliland.

Memorial contributions may be made to Grinnell Regional Hospice or to St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital in Memphis, Tenn.

He was born Oct. 15, 1946, in Grinnell, the son of Hugh R. and Mary E. Stull Gilliland. He was raised in Grinnell, was a 1964 graduate of Grinnell High School and was a veteran of the United States Army during the Vietnam War.

Following military service, he returned to Grinnell where he was employed at Miracle Recreation, Grinnell College, Rabbit's Tavern and other locations. He was a member of the Grinnell American Legion post, and Grace Community Church where he was baptized on Feb. 4, 2001.

He is survived by one sister Rose Shockey of Newton and one brother John Gilliland of Marshalltown. He was preceded in death by his parents; three brothers, Hugh "Bud" Gilliland Jr., Robert Gilliland and Charles "Jake" Gilliland, and one sister Alice Johnson.