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He was born Sept. 20, 1927, in Grinnell, the son of William and Grace Thomas Kaloupek. He was raised in Grinnell and graduated from Grinnell High School with the class of 1945. He served his country in the United States Navy as a Communications Technician, Second Class, from 1945 until 1949. Following his service he attended Grinnell College for a short while before suffering injuries in an automobile accident. He later attended the University of Illinois in Champagne, receiving the Bachelor of Arts degree in marketing.

He was united in marriage with Marjory Reeves on Feb. 16, 1961, at the Grinnell United Methodist Church. He served as Poweshiek County treasurer in the early 1960s, then was secretary of the Grinnell-Newburg School System prior to serving as comptroller at Grinnell Regional Medical Center in the 1980s.

He was a member of Grinnell United Methodist Church, serving as its treasurer and on the church's foundation. He was a member of the Grinnell Lions Club, serving as its treasurer since 1994. He also served on the Human Rights Commission and as president of the board of directors of Mid-Iowa Workshop in Marshalltown.

He is survived by his wife of 49 years, Marjory Kaloupek; his sister-in-law, Mary Ann Howell Porter of Sterling, Va.; a niece and nephew. He was preceded in death by his parents and his brother, William Eugene Kaloupek.

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Visitation will be Monday from 12 to 8 p.m. at Smith Funeral Home with family members present from 5 to 7 p.m.

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Bob was a member of the Grinnell United Methodist Church and he was treasurer of the church, and the church foundation. He also was a member of the Grinnell Lion's Club and he served as treasurer since 1994. His other accomplishments were serving on the Human Rights Commission and serving as president of the board of Mid-Iowa Workshop in Marshalltown. His enjoyments included reading, watching NASCAR races on television, fishing and working on his computer.

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