Leslie Rasmussen

Leslie Rasmussen, 72, of Grinnell and formerly of Newton, died on Saturday, July 23, 2011, at Windsor Manor in Grinnell.

Services are pending at the Smith Funeral Home in Grinnell.

Leslie was born on Aug. 10, 1938, in Newton, to Vernon and Lucille Rasmussen. He was raised in Newton and graduated from Newton High School with the Class of 1956. After his education he moved to Centerville and worked as a salesman.

On Nov. 16, 1963, he was united in marriage with Maxine Kaisand in Newton. The couple lived in Osseola and later moved to Colorado Springs. He worked as a sales representative for Flaks Whole Sale Company. Following the death of his wife he returned to Iowa and lived in Gilman and Newton before moving to Grinnell in March of 2011.

Leslie enjoyed fishing, country music and collecting coins. He was an avid fan of the Denver Broncos and the Colorado Rockies.

Survivors include his children, Rick Rasmussen of Albuquerque, N.M., and Michelle Hobbs of Gilman; eight grandchildren; three great grandchildren; one brother, Ed Rasmussen of Newton; and one sister, Diana Carlson of Ames.

He was preceded in death by his wife; his parents; and one brother, Roger Rasmussen.

Memorials may be directed to the Iowa Hospice, 2 West Main Street, Marshalltown, Iowa 50158.