Lloyd E. Durr

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A celebration of his life will be held at 10:30 a.m., Monday, Feb. 13, at Smith Funeral Home in Grinnell. Interment will be in Rock Creek Cemetery west of Grinnell.

Visitation will be held from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m. on Saturday at the Smith Funeral Home. The family will be present to greet friends from 2 until 5 p.m. on Saturday afternoon.

Memorials may be designated to the Poweshiek County Fair Association or to Grinnell Regional Hospice. Memories and condolences may be shared with the family at www.smithfh.com.

Lloyd was born on June 12, 1932, to Edward and Mary Jane Peak Durr on the family farm in rural Jasper County. He attended country school and then attended Grinnell High School.

Lloyd was united in marriage with Virginia Bailey on Dec. 22, 1952, in Iowa City, and together they had five sons. Lloyd farmed and raised livestock, wild horses, buffalo and other exotic animals throughout his life. In addition to his farm and cattle, he enjoyed attending his grandchildren's sporting events, horse shows, truck pulls, and stock car races. He also enjoyed bowling, hunting, and camping at the Iowa State Fair.

Lloyd is survived by his wife of 59 years, Virginia Durr of Grinnell; his sons, Rick Durr of Lake Rathbun, Gary Durr of Grinnell, Mike Durr of Montezuma, David Durr of Montezuma, and Denny Durr of Grinnell; six grandchildren; four step-grandchildren; his sister, Margaret Clark of Grinnell; and his brother, Don Durr of Orlando, Fla.

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