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A funeral service will be held 10:30 a.m., Friday, Nov. 2, at Smith Funeral Home in Grinnell with Rev. Keith Morrison, chaplain of Grinnell Regional Hospice, officiating. Casket bearers will be Andrew Bond, Bobby Bond, Dennis Bond Jr., Wayne Kinder, Allen Patterson, Daniel Wadhams, Eric Wadhams and Evan Wadhams. Military rifes will be conducted by the Grinnell Veterans Ceremonial Unit. A graveside service will be held at 1 p.m. Friday at Sunset Memorial Garden in Des Moines.

Visitation was held Thursday afternoon at Smith Funeral Home; family will also be present at the funeral home one hour prior to the service.

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