Norman "Jay" Sisson, 65

A memorial service has been scheduled for 11:00 a.m. Friday, April 12, at the Smith Funeral Home in Grinnell with Pastor Brian Chitwood, Madison Church of Christ, officiating.

Visitation with the family present will be held one hour prior to service time at the funeral home.

Memorial contributions may be directed to the American Cancer Society.

Jay was born April 17, 1947, in Marshalltown, the son of Marvin and Betty Burge Sisson. He was raised in Grinnell and was a graduate of Grinnell High School. While in high school, he was employed with his mother at the 3 Elms Restaurant. He was a veteran of the United States Navy during the Vietnam War.

On Jan. 3, 1987, he was united in marriage with Linda Hicks in Grinnell. The couple lived in Grinnell and later moved to Las Vegas in 1994. While in Grinnell, he was employed with Miracle Recreation and later Brooks Trucking out of Knoxville. In Las Vegas, he worked for a plumbing company delivering parts in the area. He retired in 2009.

Jay was a member of the American Legion.

He enjoyed playing poker, riding his motorcycle and golfing. He was an avid fan of NASCAR and enjoyed rooting for Kyle Petty. He also enjoyed watching western themed movies and television shows.

Survivors include his wife, Linda Sisson of Las Vegas; his mother, Betty Smith of Newton; three children, Todd (Stacy) Sisson of Prairie Grove, Arkansas, Shad (Heather) Sisson of Colfax; one brother, Pat (Sherie) Sisson of Fulton, Mississippi; and four grandchildren, Brett, Austin, Kyler and Rhiannon Sisson.

He was preceded in death by his father, Marvin Sisson; and step-father, George Smith.

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