

## Ed Puls

Ed Puls, 68, of Grinnell died July 31, 2013, in Grinnell.

Funeral services are scheduled for 10:30 a.m. Tuesday, August 6, at the Smith Funeral Home in Grinnell with Rev. John Epperson of Grinnell officiating. Pallbearers will be John Andes, Jerry Baltisberger, Dick Gosselink, Ron Pickens, Roger Smith and Freddie Van Ervelde. Burial with military honors will be in Hazelwood Cemetery in Grinnell.

Visitation will be from 12:00 noon to 8:00 p.m.

Monday at the funeral home with the family present from 6:00 to 8:00 Monday evening.

Memorial contributions may be directed to the Ed Puls Memorial Fund:

Ed was born March 29, 1945, in Grinnell. He was the son of Floyd Wannier and Ruth Elizabeth Foster Puls. He was raised in Grinnell and was a 1963 graduate of Grinnell High School. He was a veteran of the United States Army and served in the Vietnam War.

In 1967, he was united in marriage to Pamela Smith in Grinnell and they were later divorced in 1973. On September 3, 1999, he began his life together with Betty Stepp and the couple continued to make their home in Grinnell. He was employed for many years at Farmhand in Grinnell and later worked part-time at Theisen's in Grinnell.

Ed loved his family dearly and was very devoted to their needs. He took great pride in caring for his elderly mother. He was a Good Samaritan and knowledgeable about many things and always made himself available to help others. He enjoyed socializing with family and friends, cooking and grilling, and was an avid collector. He was a huge fan of NASCAR and drag racing. Ed looked forward to traveling to races in the Midwest and Texas. He loved working on and tinkering with classic cars and attending car shows.

Survivors include two daughters, Stephanie Puls of Modesto, California and Shana (Chris) Caster of Sunset, Texas; his soul mate, Betty Stepp of Grinnell; two step-daughters, Tracy Neighbors of Grinnell and Terra Webb of Perry; one brother Larry Puls of Spanish Fort, Alabama; one sister, Doris Casey of Tipton, Missouri; seven grandchildren, Britany Stanhope, Sapphire Sumrow, Tyler Caster, Courtney, Marissa and Kylee Neighbors and Ada Webb; and two great-grandchildren, twins, Jaxson and Cash Stanhope. He was preceded in death by his parents and one brother, Henry Puls.



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