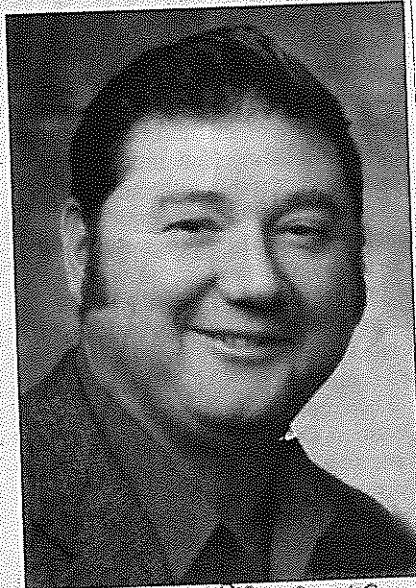


Richard LeRoy Phipps



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Richard LeRoy Phipps, 70, of Rock Creek died at his home on Saturday, Jan. 24, 2015, after a lengthy illness.

The family will greet friends from 10 to 11 a.m., Wednesday, Jan. 28, at Wallace Family Funeral Home and Crematory in Newton. Following the visitation there will be a graveside service held at Rock Creek Cemetery. Memorials to PALS or Grinnell Hospice may be left at the funeral home.

Richard was born on April 19, 1944, in Grinnell to Glenn and Naomi Bleakney Phipps. He attended Grinnell schools. Richard married Lucille "Jody" Phipps on Feb. 11, 1971, and they had one son. Richard started his work history working at One Minute in Kellogg and later going to the Maytag Company in Newton, retiring in 1992. Following his retirement, Richard kept busy working construction and then retiring a second time from Priority Plastics in Grinnell.

Richard enjoyed the outdoors and was happiest while hunting or wandering the farm enjoying nature. He liked fishing and picnicking with the family.

Rich is survived by his wife, Jody; son, Shane Phipps; three grandchildren; one great-grandson; two brothers, Jack

Phipps and John Phipps; and other relations.

He was preceded in death by his parents; sister, RuthAnn Grandstaff; and two brothers, Bill Phipps and Jim Phipps.