GRINNELL RESIDENT

Steven C. Roop, 62

Steven C. Roop, 62, of Grinnell died December 17, 2015, at his home.

A Celebration of Life service and gathering will be held from 12 noon to 5 p.m. Saturday, January 2, 2016, at the Mayflower Community Carman Center, with a prayer service held at 4 p.m.

Burial with military honors will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, January 2, at Hazelwood Cemetery in Grinnell.

Memorial contributions may be directed to the Steven C. Roop Memorial Fund.

Steven was born March 7, 1953, in Grinnell, the son of Virgil Eugene and Louise Mae Cline Roop. He grew up in several communities in Iowa and California. He was residing in Anaheim, California when he entered the United States Army in 1970. Upon his discharge in 1971, he continued living in California for a few years prior to returning to Grinnell. He later moved to Arkansas and lived there for over 20 years and was employed with the Garland County Road Department. He moved to Des Moines in 2009 and back to Grinnell in 2014.

Steven enjoyed his privacy and his personal space, but enjoyed sharing his time with his family. He was very thoughtful and caring to his family and friends. He loved his grandchildren very much. He enjoyed getting in his car and going on drives, fishing and camping. He also enjoyed drawing and taking family photos. He loved Betty Boop!

Survivors include his mother, Louise Miller of Ankeny; his children, Renae (Rod) Danner of Marshalltown, Richard (Melissa Hines) Roop of Grinnell, Ronald (Tabitha) Roop of Grinnell and Carroll Wayne (Laura) Reynolds of Marshalltown; two sisters, Vicki (Dennis) Lawrence of Madrid and Barbara Hallmann of Des Moines; ten grandchildren, Ryan, Jon, Jacob, Blaze, Nakota and Chandler Roop, Dakota Lisk, Jacoby and Austin Hines and Skylar Short; several nieces and nephews; and his family living in Arkansas including his step-mother, Darlene Roop and two half-sisters, Regina and Sheila Ashley. He was preceded in death by his father; a half-brother, Mike Roop; and twin great-grandsons, River and Bentley Roop.