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Visitation will be Sunday, May 15, from 2 until 7 p.m., with the family present at 4 p.m., at Smith Funeral Home in Victor. The funeral service will be held at 10 a.m., Monday, May 16, at St. Bridget’s Catholic Church in Victor, officiated by Father Ron Hodges of Grinnell. Interment will take place at Victor Memorial Cemetery. Pallbearers are Bradley Roth, Justin O’Halloran, Cody Frahm, Bryan O’Halloran, Jason Roethler, Bethany Jacoby, and Brian Scanridge.

Memorials may be designated to Iowa Knights of Columbus Foundation or St. Mary’s Capital Building Project and mailed to the Smith Funeral Home, P.O. Box 485, Victor, Iowa 52347. Condolences may be shared with the family at www.smithfh.com.

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He was the 1st degree to join the Knights of Columbus March 1, 1957. He held several volunteer positions with KC’s including, financial secretary, Grand Knight, District Deputy, Football Frenzy Chairman (Special Olympics), Faithful Navigator and Trustee for the 4th degree. He was a member of St. Bridget Catholic Church in Victor as well as St. Mary’s in Grinnell. He was also a member of the Victor American Legion, Post 54, and The Heritage Agency, and was honored as Regional Outstanding Senior Volunteer for the Heritage Agency in 2012. He also served on the Board for REA in Conroy which helped disabled adults work.

Richard loved to golf and was active with the Amana VIP Golf Tournament, and also sold Tootsie rolls for the Special Olympics. He was an avid Iowa Hawkeye fan and enjoyed taking his grandkids to Hawkeye games, and also rooting for his grandkids at many of their own games.

He is survived by his six children, Kim Jacoby of Cedar Rapids, Bridget Ringgenberg of Oskaloosa, Traci Frahm of Victor, Jennifer O’Halloran of Tualatin, Ore., Jeanne Roethler of Cedar Rapids, and Rick Jacoby of Grinnell; 17 grandchildren; 18 great grandchildren, with two more on the way; and his siblings Francis Jacoby of Waterloo, James Jacoby of Evansdale, Dan Jacoby of Waterloo, Sandra Quinn of Glenside, Minn., and Mary Jean Cartney of Byron, Minn.

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OBITUARIES

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