Charles M. Manly III, 66

Charles M. Manly III, 66, of Spirit Lake and formerly of Grinnell, died March 7, 2017, at the Hawkeye Care Center in Spirit Lake, due to complications of M.S.

A reception gathering in celebration of his life will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday, March 18, at the Buckley Hall Dining Room of the Mayflower Community Health Care Center or Hawkeye Care Center.

Charles was born July 18, 1950, in Spencer, Iowa, the son of Charles M. and Bernice A. Lippold Manly. He was a graduate of the Poweshiek County High School in 1968 and Simpson College in 1972. He received his law degree from Hamline University in St. Paul, Minnesota, in 1976. He joined Manly Law Offices in Grinnell on August 2, 1976. He was the third generation of the family to practice law in Grinnell, a firm formed by his grandfather in 1912. He retired in 2005, due to health reasons.

On May 22, 1982, he was united in marriage to Debra Yellick, in La Crosse, Wisconsin. Charlie enjoyed sailing and was a lover of nature. He was an avid fan of the University of Iowa Hawkeyes.

He is survived by his mother, Bernice Manly of Okoboji; two brothers, Tom Manly of Dallas, Texas, and Mike (Shelly) Manly of Okoboji; four nieces and nephews, Chad, Jennifer, Kathleen and John Manly, and his former wife, Debra Yellick/Manly of Grinnell. He was preceded in death by his father, Chuck Manly in 2011.