David M. Steffen, 68, of Malcom, died on Wednesday, February 1, 2017, at the Boone County Memorial Hospital in Columbia, Missouri.

A memorial service will be held at 11:00 a.m., Tuesday, February 7, 2017, at the Trinity Lutheran Church with the Rev. Catherine Burroughs, pastor of the church, officiating. Honorary Bearers will be Leo Altermeter, Dave Billman, Larry Billman, Roger Gardner, Mike Steffen, Lonnie Strong and Scott Strong. Interment will be at a later date. The Iowa Military Funeral Honor Guard of Camp Dodge will do the flag presentation.

Memorials may be directed to the Malcom American Legion or to the Malcom Fire Department and sent in care of the Smith Funeral Home, P.O. Box 368, Grinnell, Iowa 50112.

Friends may call at the Smith Funeral Home in Grinnell beginning at 12:00 p.m. on Monday and the family will be present at the funeral home from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. on Monday.

David was born on November 25, 1948, in Grinnell to Melvin and Norma Gabel Steffen. He was raised on the family farm, attended Malcom public school and graduated with the Class of 1967 from B.G.M. High School in Brooklyn. In 1968, he entered the U.S. Army and served in Vietnam. After his military service, he returned to Malcom and worked as a semi-truck driver and for various businesses in Central Iowa.

On May 26, 1978, he was married to Phyllis Plants in Kirkville, Missouri. The couple operated a grain and livestock farm in the Malcom area.

David was a member of the Trinity Lutheran Church, the Farm Bureau, the Malcom American Legion and the South Devon Association. He enjoyed farm life and fishing and boating at Lake of the Ozarks.

Survivors include his wife, Phyllis Steffen of Malcom; one daughter, Bree (Bo) Howell of New Sharon; one granddaughter, Lydia Gail Howell of New Sharon; one brother, Larry (Julie Kjolhede) Steffen of Ankeny; one brother-in-law, Ken Breitling of Malcom; and one nephew, Mike (Tracy) Steffen of Des Moines.

He was preceded in death by his parents; one brother, Tim Steffen; and two sisters, Linda Breitling and Marilyn Jean Steffen.