Richard L. Fistler

Richard L. Fistler, 65, of Downers Grove, Ill., formerly of Grinnell, died Thursday, March 16.

A funeral service was held on March 21.

He was born Oct. 15, 1941, in Ackley, Iowa, to Otto and Elsie Paley Fistler. The family moved to Grinnell on Dec. 19, 1949, where he attended Grinnell schools. After graduating from high school, he was inducted into the United States Army, serving as a military policeman. He was stationed at Fifth Army Headquarters in Chicago and later served in Vietnam. He was married on Feb. 11, 1967, to Suzann O'Rourke and began a career with ComEd in Chicago. He retired in 2002. He enjoyed being with family members and friends.

He is survived by his wife Suzann; one daughter Nancylee Martyka and one son Brian Fistler, both of Plainfield, Ill., three grandchildren and one sister Joan Wittrup of Grinnell. He was preceded in death by his parents.