

William 'Bill' *B.H.R.*

R. C. Lemke *3/29/28/2019*

William 'Bill' R.C. Lemke, 79, of Grinnell, died Feb. 25, 2019.

There will be a celebration of life held on May 4, 2019, at the Buckley Dining Room at the Mayflower home from 2 to 4 p.m.

Bill was born in Grinnell Nov. 14, 1939, to Donald H. and Bertha Belcher Lemke. He was raised in the Grinnell and Searsboro area. He attended school in both Searsboro and Grinnell before enlisting in the Air Force in 1957 where he served nearly 22 years before retiring.

After retiring totally in 2010, he and Karen moved to Safford, Ariz. He enjoyed camping, traveling from spring to winter. He loved being out of doors, watching the hummingbirds, and all the other wildlife around.

He is survived by his wife Karen; three children, Penny, Stacy and Billie; two stepchildren, Charles Lester and Patrick Kramer; one brother Donald 'Gene'; and many grandchildren, nieces, nephews and cousins.

He was preceded in death by his parents and three brothers, Albert, Earl and Gerald 'Gary' Lemke.