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Walter Wayne McCumber, 55, of Kellogg died Wednesday, Dec. 17, 2008, at Iowa Methodist Medical Center in Des Moines.

A time of celebration for him was held Saturday, Dec. 27, at the Newton Veterans of Foreign Wars Post.

He was born Nov. 12, 1953, in Newton to Frank Matson and Helen Berniece Meldrem McCumber Jr. He was a lifelong resident of the Newton and Rock Creek areas who graduated from Newton High School with the class of 1971. He attended Iowa State University in Ames and Des Moines Area Community College in Ankeny. He was employed at the Maytag Company in Newton and later by the Donaldson Company in Grinnell. He was a member of Newton Post #1655, Veterans of Foreign Wars, serving as its quartermaster.

He is survived by his daughter Jayda Ratchiff of Des Moines; his brothers and sisters, Rodney McCumber, Ronald McCumber, Sandra Cluck, Teresa Young and Rose Butler and a special friend, Patty Arment of Grinnell.

Dec 29, 2008