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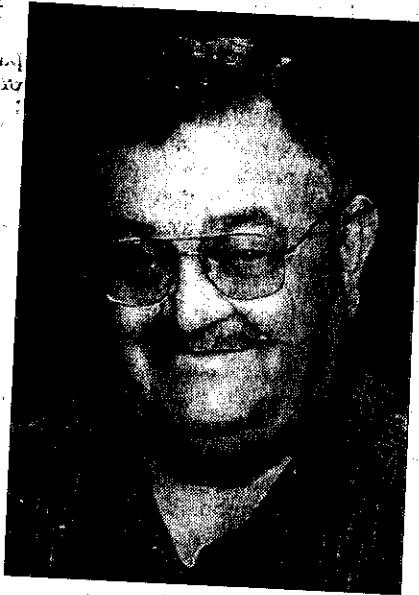
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Visitation will be held from 3:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. on Monday at St. Mary's Catholic Church and the family will receive friends from 4:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. A scripture service will be held at 8:00 p.m. on Monday evening and led by Deacon Steve Witt.

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Supervisor Doug Shutts dies May 17

AT DEADLINE: Vice-chair of the Poweshiek County Board of Supervisors Doug Shutts died today, May 17.

Shutts was completing his second four-year term as a county supervisor and had announced he would not seek a third term.

Shutts had been associated with Poweshiek County since 1988. From then until 2004 he worked for the county, handling the county's general assistance program, disaster services and 911 service. In 2004 he was elected to his first term as a supervisor.

When a vacancy occurs in a supervisor position, state law tasks three elected county officials with selecting a method for filling the vacancy. They are Poweshiek County Auditor Diana Dawley, Poweshiek County Recorder Bev Malloy and Poweshiek County Treasurer Lana Taylor.

The three officials have announced they will take no action regarding the vacancy until after Shutts's funeral, scheduled for next Tuesday, May 22.

Dawley, Malloy and Taylor were the three officials who handled selection of a method for filling the vacancy created by the death of Supervisor Ellie Snook last December. A special election was called, and voters elected Trevor White of Brooklyn to serve through 2014, completing Snook's term. Shutts' term ends Dec. 31.

Democrat Lamoyne Gaard of Grinnell and Republican Randy Johnson of Deep River will appear on the November ballot for election to the Board of Supervisors. The term of the third member of the Board of Supervisors, Republican Larry Wilson, runs through 2014. Wilson, currently serving as chair of the board, is seeking the Republican nomination for the Iowa House District 76 seat in the June 5 primary.

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• Poweshiek County Supervisor Doug Shutts, who served his county and community in a number of ways, leaves his mark

By DANN HAYES
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Doug Shutts, Poweshiek County Supervisor and a long-time friend of the Poweshiek County community, passed away at his home on Thursday, May 17.

Shutts, 68, was first elected to the supervisor position in 2004 and had decided not to run for reelection at the end of this current term, which would have ended Dec. 31.

"Doug's death is a profound shock," said Lamoyne Gaard, Grinnell, a former supervisor who served with Shutts. "I'll miss him a great deal."

Gaard, a Democrat, and Republican Randy Johnson of Deep River will be on the November ballot.

"Doug was very good at making sure I knew what I was doing on my learning curve," said Trevor White, supervisor who was elected to the seat on March 20. "He definitely has served his community very well."

As supervisor, Shutts was part of the planning and construction of the new county jail.

Prior to serving as supervisor, Shutts became a reserve



CR file photo by J.O. Parker

Poweshiek County Supervisor Doug Shutts, seated, welcomes new supervisor Trevor White after he took the oath of office last March. Shutts, who served almost eight years on the board, not only left his mark across the county, he served Grinnell as a police officer for more than 20 years. He also ran the Poweshiek County Zoning, County Relief and Emergency Management departments before running for supervisor. Shutts had planned to retire at the end of December 2012.

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State law dictates that Poweshiek County Auditor, Diana Dawley, Poweshiek County Recorder Bev Malloy and Poweshiek County Treasurer Lana Taylor will select a method for replacing a vacant seat.

They all have announced that they will wait until after the funeral, which was on May 22, before making any determination.