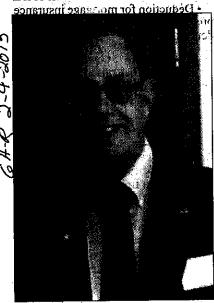
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A celebration of his life will be held at 11 a.m., Tuesday, Feb. 5, at Smith Funeral Home in Grinnell. Interment will follow in Westfield Cemetery, south of Grinnell.

Visitation will be held from 2 p.m. to 8 p.m., Monday, February 4, at the Smith Funeral Home. The family will be present from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m., Monday evening.

Memorials may be directed to the Elks BPOE #1266. Memories and condolences may be shared with his family at www.smithfh.com.

Ed was born Oct. 11, 1943, in Grinnell to Alfred and Cecil Mitchell Locker. He was raised in Grinnell and graduated from Grinnell High School and then attended North West Missouri State University. He was a Sergeant in the United States Air Force from 1966 to 1970.

He met Connie on a blind date and about a year later they were married on July 17, 1972, in Sioux Falls, S.D. Ed worked at Farmhand and retired as a production manager after 35 years. Ed then worked for Grinnell Products, Kinze Manufacturing and Theisen's.

Ed was extremely active in the Grinnell Elks Lodge #1266. He enjoyed country dancing, playing cards, golfing. He just recently took up fishing.

Ed is survived by his wife of 40 years, Connie Locker of Grinnell; his daughter, Kimberly Locker of Denver, Colo; his siblings, Joan Jones of Newton, Lois Innis of Grinnell, Phylis Dean of Grinnell, Bob Locker of Fridley, Minn., Ray Vaughn of Brandon, Fla., Jackie Butcher of Fuguay-Varina, N.C., and Linda Templeton of Newton; and many other relatives and friends.

He was preceded in death by his son, Kevin Locker on Nov. 19, 1996; his mother, Cecil Vaughn; and his father, Alfred Locker.