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A celebration of his life was held at 10:00 a.m., Saturday, February 13, 2016, at the Smith Funeral Home in Grinnell with Pastor John Epperson officiating. Visitation was held one hour prior to his service. Palbearers were Larry Manning, Norman Schroeder, Don Beck, Howard McDonough, Dennis Moon and Jim Van Draska. Interment will be at Hazelwood Cemetery in Grinnell.

Memorials may be designated in his name to East Poweshiek Ambulance Service,

Grinnell Regional Medical Center Emergency Room or to the Grinnell Elks Lodge, mailed in care of the Smith Funeral Home, PO Box 368, Grinnell, Iowa 50112. Memories and condolences may be shared with the family online at www.smithfh.com.

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Art was a family man, a friend to many and a stranger to none. He loved visiting with people and spent countless hours playing cards and socializing at the Elks Lodge. He loved those special visits from his grandchildren, and held a special love for his boxer dogs. His enjoyments included taking vacations to Colorado, reading western books by Louis L'Amour, watching Lawrence Welk shows, and watching Chicago Cubs and Iowa Hawkeyes football games.

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