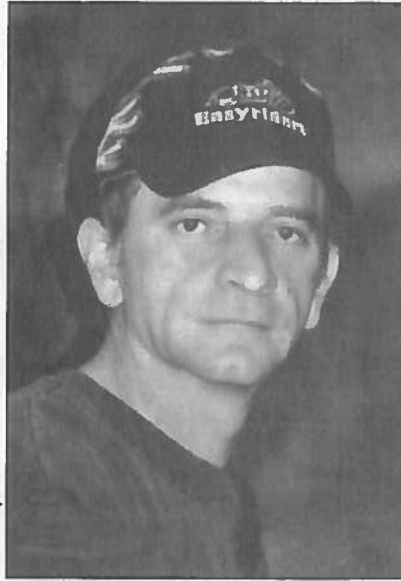


## Randall Wayne Cooper



Randall Wayne Cooper, 58, of rural Kellogg, died at his home on Jan. 10, 2018.

A celebration of life will be held at 11 a.m., Wednesday, Jan. 17, at the Wallace Family Funeral Home and Crematory in Newton. The family will greet friends from 10 a.m. until the time of service. Memorials to the Jasper County Animal Rescue League may be left at the funeral home.

Randy, the son of Ralph and Sandra Nichols Cooper, was born Dec. 14, 1959 in Grinnell. He attended Marshalltown High School and later received his GED from Big Bend Community College. Randy joined the U.S. Army in 1977 and retired in June of 1995. While serving he was stationed in Texas, Oklahoma, South Korea, Germany, and North Carolina. He was also a veteran of Desert Storm.

Randy was united in marriage with Constance Rawson on May 3, 1993, in Dillion, S.C. Following his retirement, he and Connie made their home in Kellogg. Randy was employed at Manatt's Inc. for 22 years, with 15 years as a plant manager for Grinnell Ready Mix.

He was proud of his military service. Randy loved motorcycles, photography, and camping. He was an avid Moto GP and NASCAR fan, and a long-time member of the Elks Lodge in Newton.

He is survived by his wife, Connie; his mother, Sandra Tharp of Marshalltown; brothers Michael Cooper of Monroe and Shannon Gear of Newton; and several other friends and relations, including two beloved cats, Jacy and Gixxer.

He was preceded in death by his father in 1961; his grandparents; and other relations.

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