

Jim Phipps

Jim Phipps, 67, of Newton, formerly of Grinnell, died Monday, July 21, 2008, in the Moharch Wing at Skiff Medical Center in Newton. A funeral service was held Thursday at Smith Funeral Home with Pastor Bill Patton officiating. Casket bearers were Rich-



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ard W. Phipps, Jack Phipps Jr., Chris Dickerson, Larry Weter, Dan Sheil and Tim Koger. Interment was in Rock Creek Cemetery, rural Kellogg. Memorials may be directed to Jasper County Hospice.

He was born Jan. 7, 1941, in Newton to Glenn and Naomi Bleakney Phipps. He was raised in Kellogg and in the Rock Creek neighborhood and attended rural Jasper County Schools, as well as Grinnell High School. He entered the United States Army in 1966, serving in the Viet Nam War. Following his discharge in 1968, he lived in Grinnell, working for the Donaldson Company and Farnhand. He later owned and operated Jim's Bar in Kellogg. In 1999 he moved to Newton and worked as a custodian.

He was a member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars of which he was a past commander; the Moose Lodge of Newton and the Grinnell Eagles Lodge. He enjoyed fishing, camping and was an avid Chicago Cubs fan.

He is survived by his son Justin Phipps of Grinnell; four grandchildren and three brothers, Jack Phipps and Richard Phipps, both of Grinnell, and John Phipps of Kellogg. He was preceded in death by his parents; one son Larry Phipps; one sister, Ruth Hobbs and one brother Bill Phipps.