



John Garrett Dorsey

April 25, 1936 - September 20, 2014

John Garrett Dorsey, 78, of Hampton, Iowa passed away Saturday, September 20, 2014, at the Franklin General Hospital in Hampton, Iowa. He was born April 25, 1936, in Hampton, Iowa to Leslie and Grace (Garrett) Dorsey. John graduated from Hampton High School in 1955. He served in the United States Army as a member of 101st Airborne Division. John married Joyce Vogel in Van Nuys, California, in 1958. To this union, two sons were born, Wayne and Lance. He married Donna Birdsall on March 15, 1975. John worked as a carpenter for a number of years in California, Michigan and Iowa. In 1979 John changed his life as a member of AA. He later became director of the Franklin County Alcoholism Service Center in Hampton. While serving in this position he was able to influence many lives. He was a member of the Hampton United Methodist Church, American Legion, Quarterback Club, Beeds Lake Bowbenders Archery Club and a former member of the Hampton Rotary. John enjoyed hunting, archery, fishing, camping, golfing, and working at the PGA Phoenix Open Golf Tournament. John helped to organize a group of local golfers that play every Monday, traveling to many different golf courses that participated in the Cancer Card Golf Program. He is survived by his wife Donna, sons Wayne (Maria) Dorsey of Edina, Minnesota, Lance (Beth) Dorsey of Kalamazoo, Michigan, daughter Lori (Kim) Ruddick of Marshalltown, sons Steve Birdsall of Phoenix, Arizona, Tim (Joni) Birdsall of Mesa, Arizona, Neil Birdsall of Phoenix, Arizona, Nick (Krisha) Birdsall of Flower Mound, Texas, sisters Pat (Jerry) Slebiska of Harbor Springs,

Michigan, Dixie (Bob) Gates of McAllister, Montana, eight grandchildren, five great grandchildren and nieces and nephews. John was preceded in death by his parents and grandson Nathan Keefe.

Tribute Wall



“ *Woodley Funeral Home and Crematory created a Tribute Video in memory of John Garrett Dorsey* ”



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