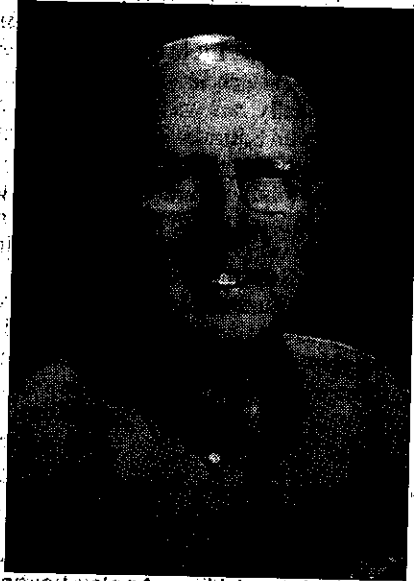


Larry Dixon *GH-R*  
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Surrounded by his family, Larry Franklin Dixon, age 80, and of Bloomfield, died Tuesday, June 11, 2013.

He was born May 18, 1933, in Bloomfield to Lester Clinton and Ruby Nona Rees Dixon. He married Sandra Lee Swank on Aug. 23, 1959, in Ottumwa.

He attended Bloomfield schools, graduating in 1951. After graduation he enlisted in the U.S. Army, trained at Fort Belvoir, Va. and served in South Korea as a surveyor in the 74th Combat Engineer Battalion. He graduated from Northeast Missouri State

Teacher's College in 1959 with a B.S. degree in Education and a M.A. degree in guidance and counseling in 1961.

His education career began in Atlanta, Mo., and continued in Mesa, Ariz., and Grinnell where he retired as high school principal in 1993. In 1986 he was awarded Principal of the Year by the Iowa High School Press Association.

After retiring he moved back to his home town of Bloomfield where he was involved in the Bloomfield United Methodist Church. He was a charter member of Bloomfield Main Street, and served as lieutenant governor of the State of Iowa for the Optimist Club and was an active member in the community.

He had a passion for history and traveled extensively, visiting 45 states and 14 countries.

Larry is survived by his wife, Sandra Lee Dixon; his daughter, Rhonda (Mark) Mostovych and her children, Alexander, Sophia, and Stefan of Ponte Vedra Beach, Fla.; Kevin Dixon of Hampton, Va.; Randy (Kim) Dixon and his children Joshua, Jared, Jayden, and Jace of Bloomfield; his brothers Dean, Gene, and Jack Dixon of Bloomfield; and sister, Karen Rosengren of Plymouth, Minn.

He was preceded in death by his father, Lester Clinton Dixon; his mother, Ruby Nona Rees Dixon; his sister, Virginia Lee Dixon; and his brother, William Joseph Dixon.

Funeral services will be at 10:30 a.m. Friday at the United Methodist Church in Bloomfield with the Rev. Kevin Gingrich officiating. Burial will be in I.O.O.F. Cemetery.

Visitation will be held on Thursday evening from 5-7 at Wagler Funeral Home in Bloomfield.

A memorial has been established in his honor to the Davis County Dollars for Scholars, the Lewy Body Dementia Association, and the Bloomfield United Methodist Church.