William E. Doyle

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Services are pending at the Smith Funeral Home in Grinnell.

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He enjoyed woodworking and did several projects for friends and family. During the winter months, Bill and Marjorie would travel to visit their friends in Florida and Texas.

Bill is survived by his sons, Mark Doyle of San Antonio, Texas, Blayne Doyle of Palm Bay, Fla., and Tim Doyle of Grinnell; eight grandchildren and four great grandchildren.

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