

GRINNELL RESIDENT

PCCR 4-25-2018

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Memorial contributions may be directed to St. John's Lutheran Church in Grinnell.

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On May 17, 1952, he was united in marriage with Mittie Cathleen "Cathy" Jenkins, in Atlanta, Georgia. The couple lived in Cedar Rapids for a year and then moved to Muscatine in 1955, where he drove a bread truck. In 1967, the family moved to Clinton prior to making their home in Grinnell in 1969. While in Grinnell, he managed the Sears Store until 1985. From 1986 until his retirement in 2011, Fred was with Godfather's Pizza, located on the town square.

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Fred was a proud father and for many years played a dual role as a parent. His family was always very important to him; he was their "lifeline." He knew the value of hard work, was very determined, and instilled kindness amongst others. Fred was adventurous throughout his life. He enjoyed collecting cars and coins, playing cards and cooking. He held a good sense of humor and his laughter was infectious. He was considered a good salesman and always stood behind his product. He was a best friend to many!

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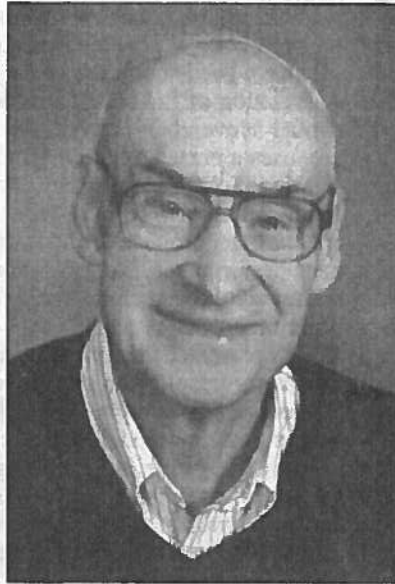
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