Raymond Fish, 74, of Waterloo died Thursday, Jan. 17, 2008, at the Covenant Medical Center in Waterloo following a short illness.

Funeral services for Raymond Fish were held at Cedar Valley Community Church in Waterloo today (Monday), with burial at Waterloo Memorial Park Cemetery.

He was born Nov. 9, 1933, to Rollie and Mamie Fish in Shellsburg and graduated from Shellsburg High School in 1951.

He served in the U.S. Army, stationed in Germany. He also served a term as the Benton County Auditor in Vinton in the early 1960. He worked for Blue Cross and Blue Shield as an area manager for 30 years, until his retirement in 1991.


He enjoyed spending time with his wife, children and extended family. He was an active member of Cedar Valley Community Church. His interests included convertible automobiles, hunting and eating morel mushrooms, enjoying pizza with his family, steak, pecan pie, Hawkeye football and basketball and taking vacations. He also enjoyed his early retirement.

He was preceded in death by his parents; a son-in-law, John Van Donselaar; and a great-grandson. He is survived by his wife; four sons, Dennis and Steve Fish of Cedar Rapids, Russell Woellert of Waterloo and Raymond Fish II of Sheffield; a daughter, Tammy Van Donselaar Creps of Grinnell; 22 grandchildren; 14 great-grandchildren; and two brothers, Orville and Myron, both of Shellsburg.

Condolences may be left for the family on the web site www.overtonservice.com. Memorials may be directed to the Cedar Valley Community Church.