Darrell E. White Jr.



Darrell E. White Jr. of Kellogg died unexpectedly Saturday, May 1, 2010, at his home.

A memorial service is planned at a later date. Friends are encouraged to follow the Smith Funeral Home website smithfh.com for future announcements.

He was born Sept. 11, 1944, in Cherokee, Iowa, the son of Darrell White Sr. and Edna Julius White. He graduated from Washington High School in Cherokee in 1963. He was united in marriage with Carolyn McCracken on May 7, 1992.

He was for 37 years manager of Fareway Grocery Stores including the last 17 years in different Iowa stores. In 1986 he changed careers to embark on a new career of flying, earning his VFR, IFR and ultimately instructor certification. In 1997 he became manager of the Grinnell Airport where he managed airport activities, gave flying lessons and rented airplanes. After losing his medical certification which ended his time as a pilot, he turned to aircraft repair, forming Iowa City Aircraft Repair with Keith Roof in which he continued until his retirement in 2006 after which he and his wife traveled throughout the United States, wintering in the south and summering in Iowa.

He is survived by his wife Carolyn; his sons, Richard, James and Robert; his stepson Kirt McCracken and step daughter, Krisanne Hawse; his brother Roger of Liberty, Mo.; and his sisters Patti of Sioux City and Jean of Cherokee. He was preceded in death by his parents and one brother Keith.

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