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Memorial contributions may be directed to the Grinnell High School Athletic or Fine Arts Departments.

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On Oct. 14, 1966, he was united in marriage with Judy Van Draska at his family home. The couple lived in Grinnell where he was employed for 40 years at Donaldson Company. He retired in 2008. He was a member of the Grinnell American Legion and the U.A.W #1201

Carl enjoyed spending his time with his family, and particularly enjoyed attending his grandsons' school activities. He loved to travel and attend auctions, and socialize with family and friends.

Survivors include his wife Judy, one daughter Kim Wallace; two grandchildren; and one brother Fred Dillon all of Grinnell.

He was preceded in death by his parents, and one son Christopher Todd Dillon.

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