



Apr. 23, 1949 - Oct. 28, 2024

Carl W. Poe, 75, of Kalona, passed from this life on Monday, Oct. 28, 2024, at the University of Iowa Hospitals, following a brief illness. A memorial service was held Saturday, Nov. 2, at the Kalona United Methodist Church in Kalona, with Pastor Lisa Crow officiating. Burial followed at the Sharon Hill Cemetery in Kalona. In lieu of flowers a memorial fund has been established for the University of Iowa Organ Transplant Center and the Kalona United Methodist Church.

Carl Wayne Poe was born Apr. 23, 1949, the son of Pearl and Helen (Gasper) Poe, Jr. He graduated from Montezuma High School and attended Maryville University in Missouri. Carl married Jo Shearer Patterson in 1978; the couple later divorced. They were active members of Easter Seals, raising money for disabled children and families. On January 22, 2011, he was united in marriage to Deanna Yoder Redlinger. Carl was in construction all his life, working with his father, family and friends, traveling throughout the US building press boxes and bleachers. The business operated in Montezuma, where they faithfully contributed to the community in many ways. He later owned and operated the Expert's Edge Athletics and Construction Company.

Carl was a member of the Kalona United Methodist Church, was currently the President of the Kalona Optimist Club, and enjoyed playing cards, hunting, fishing, mushrooming, campouts, fish fries, and attending his grandchildren's activities. Hunting and fishing trips with his lifelong friends were a special part of his life. Carl was a storyteller and especially enjoyed telling jokes. In 2021, Carl received a new lease on life through a partner kidney transplant with his wife.

Survivors include his wife Deanna of Kalona; six children: Scott (Angie) Patterson of Montezuma, Jeremy Poe of Iowa City, BJ (Nikki) Poe of Solon, Jenny (Dane) Miller of Kalona, Julie Redlinger of Wellman, Janelle (Mitchell) Wayt of Davenport; five grandchildren: Kali and Kael Poe, Chloe Weber, Gavin and Abel Miller; one sister Gayle (David) Lacasse of Center Harbor, NH; brothers-in-law: Marlin (Judy) Yoder of McLeansville, NC, Harlan (Mary) Yoder of Iowa City, sister-in-law Donna Merck of Kalona, and many nieces and nephews.

Preceding Carl in death were his parents and his brother-in-law Lynn Merck.