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Martin Algot Carlson, 83, died in Newport Beach, California on April 10, 2000.

His is survived by his wife of 61 years, Ellen Blom Carlson of Huntington Beach, California.

He is also survived by his sons, David of Newport Beach, California and Hugh of Huntington Beach; a sister, Anna Carlson of Fon du Lac, Wisconsin; his four grandchildren, Kristin Carlson, Bonner Springs, Kansas, Kimberly Carlson Crawford, Huntington Beach, Shannon Carlson of Wilmington, Delaware and Erik Carlson of Medford, Massachusetts; and two daughters-in-law, Jean Carlson and Laura J. Carlson.

Mr. Carlson was born in Felch, Michigan on May 23, 1916 and relocated to Marinette, Wisconsin as an infant. He graduated from Marinette High School in 1934 and attended his 65th class reunion last year.

Between 1934 and 1944 he was employed by the Marinette Times Union daily newspaper. He and Ellen were married on Oct. 1, 1938.

He moved to Neenah, Wisconsin in 1944, when he began working for the Neenah News record, another daily newspaper.

In 1954 he moved to Lake Orion, where he became a partner in The Lake Orion Review (then called the Orion Weekly Review). In 1957, Mr.

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sistently took strong editorial positions advocating
more responsive and responsible local government.

As publisher he also won several awards from the
Michigan Newspaper Association.

After retiring from The Lake Orion Review,
Mr. Carlson was a popular courier for the Lake Orion
School District for 10 years.

In 1954, Mr. Carlson was instrumental in found-
ing the LO Small Fry Baseball League so his son,

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Hugh, and several friends, then six years old, had a safe and structured environment in which to play baseball.

The Small Fry League eventually became the Lake Orion Boys/Girls Baseball League that now serves several hundred participants each year.

Mr. Carlson was the Junior Chamber of Commerce's Man of the Year in the 1960s and was a member of the Orion Area Chamber of Commerce and the Lake Orion Rotary Club for more than 40 years.

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During this time he also served as the Rotary Club's president and its secretary/treasurer for 15 years. He was also a Paul Harris Fellow, the Rotary Club's highest individual distinction.

Mr. Carlson and his wife, Ellen, were members and regular attendees of the LO United Methodist Church until they moved to California in 1998. Since being in California, he has been a member of the Huntington Beach Rotary Club.

A memorial services is scheduled at the LO United Methodist Church at 11 a.m. on June 10. Memorials may be made in Martin's name to either the LO United Methodist Church, 140 East Flint Street, Lake Orion, MI 48362 or to Hospice of Michigan, 530 West Huron Street, Pontiac, MI 49341.

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Memorial Service

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