

Mel and Norma Minion - 2013

Mel and Norma have been married for 55 years - Fantastic! Norma was born in rural Indiana - Lake County - and grew up in Lowell. Mel was born in Chicago and grew up in Cedar Lake. They met in high school. They have lived in Noblesville since 1995. Norma spent her working life as a part-time typist and as a bookkeeper and a full time homemaker. Mel managed various businesses for Whiteco and his own. Mel has been retired for 10 years and finds things both to like and dislike about it. He enjoys not having 'people' problems but misses being in touch with people. Norma enjoys being retired. Norma's interests include gardening, eating out, golfing and working puzzles. Mel enjoys cars, golfing and is currently restoring a '36 Ford Cabriolet (see picture below).. Together they enjoy traveling. They have been members of CI since 1995 and have never been members of any other Corvette Club. Mel says that they got interested in Corvettes because they got tired of fighting rust and they bought their first one in the early 70's. Currently, they own a 1967 Marlboro Maroon NCRS Top Flight Award Winner convertible and a 2008 white coupe. Mel and Norma have also owned a '65, a '66, a '78 and an '81. They both agreed that what they like best about CI are the people - their Corvette friends. Mel's favorite CI activity is the Butler Parade and Norma's is anything that involves eating.

Mel's favorite Corvette story was about his setting an NCCC C3S record at Mid Ohio.