



Mark Robert Johnson

September 15, 1947 - July 21, 2022

Mark R. Johnson, Minnetonka, MN, passed away on July 21, 2022, at the age of 74. Mark was born in 1947 in Seattle, WA and grew up in Mankato, MN. At St. Olaf College he met the love of his life, Marjorie Olson. The two were married on campus shortly after their graduation (1969). Mark received a law degree from the University of MN Law School (1972) while serving in the U.S. Army. He practiced law in the Twin Cities.

Life offered no shortage of adventures for Mark. He was always learning and challenging himself, setting goals and enjoying the journey. Mark summited the high points of nearly every state (46). He made it halfway up Mt. Rainier twice (turned back only by weather) so we can probably count that too. He completed 4 marathons, a 100-mile bike trip, many black diamonds in Colorado, and may have had a few under-par rounds during his many visits to the Orono Public Golf Course. Mark enjoyed lifting weights and asking others how much they benched. He earned his private pilot's license, allowing him to fly his (slightly nervous) family on outings.

Generous with his time and talents, Mark helped get kids on the ice through his work with Orono Hockey Boosters and was always happy to help move a heavy piece of furniture. He was known to surprise his sons with impromptu day trips to Wisconsin Dells or Twins games, including the 1987 and 1991 World Series. In his later years Mark enjoyed pitching to his grandson Boden in the front yard and watching him in Tiny Tonka Baseball. They even made it to a Twins game together.

Always ready with a smile, Mark was a man of integrity who valued hard work and honesty (but was not above absconding with the final puzzle piece). He had a wonderful life and will be missed.

He is survived by his wife of 53 years Marjorie; two sons, Nick (Jennifer Glidden) of Chanhassen, MN, and Michael of Minneapolis, MN; two grandchildren, Boden and Maren Johnson; brother Scott (Mary) Johnson, sister Deb Anderson, nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents Robert I. and Margaret Johnson and brother Daniel. Special thanks to the staff at Golden Valley Parkinson's Specialty Care and Grace Hospice for their kind and loving care. There will be a Celebration of Life gathering at Wayzata Community Church on 8-15-22 at 2pm. Burial in Cannon Falls Cemetery will take place in September. In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to

Highpointers Foundation.

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Previous Events

Church Service

AUG **15**. 2:00 PM - 2:45 PM (CT)

Wayzata Community Church
125 E. Wayzata Blvd.
Wayzata, MN 55391

Reception

AUG **15**. 2:45 PM - 3:30 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Mark Robert Johnson.* ”



August 15 at 09:02 AM

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“ *The Maroushek & Gutierrez Families purchased the Gracious Lavender Basket for the family of Mark Robert Johnson.* ”



The Maroushek & Gutierrez Families - August 12 at 08:12 PM



“ *Days of Sunshine Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mark Robert Johnson.* ”



August 10 at 10:38 PM



“ *Deb Anderson lit a candle in memory of Mark Robert Johnson* ”



Deb Anderson - August 08 at 03:42 PM

MI

“ *RIP Dad!* ”

Mike - August 06 at 01:06 AM

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“ Dear Marjorie- we were saddened to hear of marks passing, but know he is at peace now. One of my fond memories is of Mark and Dan driving their Karmann Ghia to California when we were all teenagers and we cruised around California. Mark and Dan were good men!
Hugs and love, Ted and Shelley Johnson Boutacoff

Shelley Boutacoff - August 05 at 06:02 PM