



Mr. Alan Walter Hesdorffer

September 6, 1932 - April 21, 2019

Hesdorffer, Alan Walter Age 83, passed away peacefully on April 21, 2019 in Edina, Minnesota. Alan was born on September 6, 1935 in Minneapolis, Minnesota to Dr. Meredith B. Hesdorffer and Ruth (Burkhard) Hesdorffer. He is survived by his wife of 55 years, Mary Boyd (Day) Hesdorffer; daughter, Meredith (Frank) Macgowan of Excelsior; son, Alan Boyd (Lisa) Hesdorffer of Edina; brother, Roger (Janice) of Summerville, SC; sister, Virginia Maxwell of Raleigh, NC; and grandsons, Ben, Jack and Cole Macgowan, and Stuart and Davis Hesdorffer. Alan attended Breck School, was an Eagle Scout, and graduated from the University of Virginia (UVA) in the Class of 1958. While at UVA he played both football and soccer, and he was Vice President of the Student Body, a member of numerous Honor Societies, Phi Kappa Psi fraternity, and Army ROTC. Following graduation, he served two tours of duty during the Vietnam conflict as an Airborne, Ranger, and a Pathfinder qualified Infantry Lieutenant. After leaving the service Alan married Mary Boyd in Roanoke, Virginia and began a career in Marketing and Marketing Management, split evenly between The Procter and Gamble Company and The Pillsbury Company. At P & G he was in the Paper Products Division and involved in the introduction of numerous brands, including Charmin, Bounty, and Pampers, which required moves to Bettendorf, Iowa, Indianapolis, Indiana, and three moves back to the Corporate Headquarters in Cincinnati, Ohio. He left P & G in 1976 as National Sales Manager of the Industrial Paper Products Division to move back to Minneapolis to join The Pillsbury Company

as the Director of Sales Promotion. Alan was a volunteer with the Boy Scouts, the United Way, the Veterans Administration, and he was a Director and Officer at the Minneapolis Athletic Club where he was actively involved with the Handball program. He was also a long-time member of the Interlachen Country Club where he played numerous rounds of golf with friends. In addition, he was a member of St. Stephen's Episcopal Church, the American Legion, the VFW, and was a Life Member of the DAV. More than anything, Alan enjoyed spending time with his family. He especially loved attending his grandson's many sporting events and school programs. Alan was a loving husband, father, grandfather, brother and friend. He will be deeply missed. At Alan's request, there will be a private burial service at Lakewood Cemetery. Memorials preferred to the Disabled American Veterans, Minneapolis Chapter #1, P.O. Box 17037, Minneapolis, MN 55417-0037, Phone (612) 726-9591. washburn-mcreavy.com Edina Chapel 952-920-3996

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“ *Our sincere and deepest sympathies to the family.*

Allen was a friend and fellow Phi Psi when I was manager of the Dupont Lynwood Club in Martinsville, Virginia.

The Hesdorffer family was a wonderful family.

I bought Allen's white '59 Pontiac Catalina Convertible when he went to work for P & G. (Wish I still had it)

Our thoughts and prayers are with you.

God Bless

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