



Alan Paul Stewart

July 12, 1956 - January 22, 2026

Alan Paul Stewart, 69, of Minnetonka, Minnesota, passed away on January 22, 2026, surrounded by family. He was born on July 12, 1956, in South Shields Tyne & Wear, England, to Fernande (Ann) Telford and Don Stewart. He was a devoted, adoring husband to Carol, loving father to Lynsey and Ian, dear father-in-law to Allie, joyful Papa to Camilla, Faye, and Henry, and beloved brother of Tom.

Alan loved Jesus with a deep, ever-growing, abiding love. Alan loved his family, his church family, and being an Executive Chef, as well as watching his beloved Sunderland futbol team from South Shields, England. His other favorites to watch were the Minnesota Vikings and Winnipeg Jets.

His love for God deepened at a Promise Keepers event in 1995 at the Metrodome. Alan fondly remembers 65,000 men worshipping God in our stadium and singing worship songs. Alan gave his life to Jesus at this event and it was life-changing. He became an even better man. He expanded his penchant for godliness, kindness, and gentleness when he accepted Jesus as his Lord and Savior. He proudly lived the life of a Promise Keeper from that day forward for the rest of his life.

His career as a Certified Executive Chef involved many culinary competitions in which he won a considerable number of medals and awards. He spent a career creating dishes at Oak Ridge Country Club, Decathlon Athletic Club, and Interlachen Country Club. While at Interlachen Country Club, he was the Executive Chef of the 2002 Solheim Cup and 2008 U.S. Women's Open. He spent the end of his career at Hyvee before retiring, but he continued to create food for friends and family. He found much joy in the process of creating a dish and presenting it artfully.

Alan enjoyed spending time at the family cabin in Babbitt, Minnesota. His grandkids will fondly remember the holidays, bonfires, and warm summer weekends spent together up north with their Papa. They were the light of his life! He had such patience with each one of them. He would lovingly tease them and validate them. He'd make up special stories and make sure they were paying attention. He doted on each child and always made them feel special.

Alan was a man of courage and integrity. His long battle with multiple autoimmune diseases did not defeat him. He spent countless days in hospitals tied to machines. His positive attitude and indomitable spirit was an inspiration to so many, including the doctors that treated him. He took time to learn about the people who came into his life and helped and mentored many of them. Former employees stayed in touch with him over the years and still called him Chef, a mark of total respect.

A funeral service will be held on Saturday, January 31, 2026, at Faith Church, 12007 Excelsior Boulevard, Minnetonka, MN. The visitation begins at 10:00

am, followed by a service at 11:00 am. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Faith Church, Alan's dear faith community.

Washburn-McReay.com Strobeck Johnson Hopkins Chapel 952-938-9020

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 31. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Faith Presbyterian Church
12007 Excelsior Blvd.
Minnetonka, MN

Memorial Service

JAN 31. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

AB

“ Tim and I just heard about Alan's passing. Sending love and hugs to the family. We have fond memories of our small group back in the early 90's. I'm sure the 4th day welcomed him with big smiles and hugs. Tim & Ann Blien

Ann Blien - February 19 at 05:49 PM

PH

“ Alan was an excellent Executive Chef. His leadership in the kitchen was always top notch

Patrick Hooker - February 01 at 05:01 PM

DB

“ Dean & Betty purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Alan Paul Stewart.



Dean & Betty - January 30 at 01:43 PM

SS

“ Shelly, Blaire, & Sonja planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Alan Paul Stewart.

Shelly, Blaire, & Sonja - January 29 at 12:21 PM

ZM

“ We are very sorry about Alan. Our thoughts are with you.

Zon and Marsha - January 28 at 01:10 PM

SG

“ Stephen Gac purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Alan Paul Stewart.



Stephen Gac - January 28 at 08:32 AM

SG

“ Stephen Gac planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Alan Paul Stewart.

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GF

“ Glenn and Debra Anderson & family purchased the Serene Retreat for the family of Alan Paul Stewart.



Glenn and Debra Anderson & family - January 24 at 04:39 PM

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“ Glenn and Debra Anderson & family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Alan Paul Stewart.

Glenn and Debra Anderson & family - January 24 at 04:39 PM