



Alva "Bill" Johnson

February 1, 2014

Johnson, Alva (Bill) age 82, of Mpls., passed away peacefully on Sat., Feb. 1, 2014. Bill is survived by his loving wife, Corwyn, and sister, JoEllen (DeWayne) Benson. He is also survived by 8 nieces and nephews: Barbara (Jeff) Austin, Thomas (Dianna) Saari, David (Laurie) Saari, Catherine Saari, Eric (Jamie) Saari, Julie Melberg, Dorothy Jo Olson, Pamela (Tim) McCullum, and, also, many great-nieces and nephews, and several great-great-nieces and nephews. Bill was born on March 14, 1931, in Linton, IN. His family moved to Mpls while he was in high school. Bill met Corwyn, the love of his life, at the University of Minnesota. They were married on Nov. 3, 1956. Bill retired from Best Foods at the conclusion of his successful 35 year career. Bill served for 9 years in the US Naval Reserves. He was an active member of Luther Memorial Lutheran Church, serving on the church council and chairing the finance committee. Bill was also a member of the MN Masons, Scottish Rite, and Zuhrah Shrine, where he was president of the Ceremonial Unit and Director General. While Director General, Bill was awarded the Potentate's Medal. Bill loved spending summers at the cabin on Pleasant Lake in Annandale. The memorial service will be held at Luther Memorial Lutheran Church, 3751 Sheridan Avenue No., Mpls 55412, on Friday, February 7, at 11:00 a.m. Visitation will be at the church from 9:00 until 11:00 a.m. In lieu of flowers, the family prefers memorials to Luther Memorial Church or the Shriners' Hospital for Crippled Children-Twin Cities, 2025 E. River Pkwy., Mpls. 55414. www.Washburn-McReavy.com Edina Chapel 952-920-3996