



## Bernard Edmund Brand

August 21, 1933 - July 5, 2024

Bernard E. Brand, known to friends as Bernie, passed away on July 5, 2024 at age 90, in Blaine, MN. Born on August 21, 1933, Bernie lived a full and vibrant life.

Bernie is preceded in death by his parents, Anton and Marie, and his sister Mary Notch.

He is survived by his wife, Patty of 50 years; sons, Jon (Jenny), Josh (Kristi); grandkids, Tom, Timmy and Anna; brothers, Richard (CeCe), Jerry (Sharon), and Bobby (Connie).

Bernie was raised on the family farm south of Rosemount, MN. At 13 he entered the Minor Seminary at Nazareth Hall. He then attended the Major St. Paul Seminary and was ordained a Catholic priest in February 1959. He served at Immaculate Conception for 3 years and then went to the Minor Seminary to teach Math. In 1969 he left the Priesthood.

Bernie and Patty married in 1974.

Bernie taught math at Kellogg High School in Roseville, retiring in 1998.

Bernie and Patty spent 22 winters in Gulf Shores, AL.

At 17 Bernie received honey bees from his parents as a graduation present from high school. He continued to be a beekeeper for over 70 years, selling his honey at the St. Paul farmers market and local restaurants.

Bernie had many hobbies, including coaching sports, hunting, flying airplanes, and riding his motorcycle across the country.

Bernie, Jon, and Josh built a family cabin on Cedar Lake near Aitkin, MN where he spent over 15 summers enjoying the water, and his biggest love, golf.

Mass of Christian Burial 11:00AM (visitation begins at 10:00AM) Friday, July 12th at St. Odilia Catholic Church, 3495 N. Victoria, Shoreview, MN. Interment in the St. Odilia Prayer Garden.

# Tribute Wall

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“ Our family is so sorry to hear of your lose. Never met him ,but you shared so many pictures and stories that we knew him well.



Gregory & Vicky Oltmanns - July 11, 2024 at 05:21 PM

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“ It is important that Bernard's family knows how many people early in his life that he had a profound impact on, and how from those days at Naz Hall, that he has remained with us throughout. At Naz we were lucky to have had a range of older to younger teachers who taught how to think, learn, and work with people versus indoctrinating us, which is the other way the seminary program could have gone. That mentality and those skill sets have positively impacted all our lives from the days at Naz and we are all forever grateful for Bernard's enlightened and unselfish guidance and leading by example. Hopefully we have been able to pass along some measure of those gifts to others. That is the best way to pay tribute to Bernard Brand and the unique set of teachers we enjoyed. I had intended to be at the Mass but contracted Covid yesterday and will have to pass. If there is a later memorial, please advise. Tim O'Malley 651-334-5680 omalleytim@yahoo.com Class of 1968.

Tim O'Malley - July 11, 2024 at 02:15 PM

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“ *Mark & Robin Brand purchased the Sweet Sincerity for the family of Bernard Edmund Brand.*



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**Mark & Robin Brand** - July 09, 2024 at 02:19 PM

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“ *Many great memories at the Brand household during HS and on the links with Bernie and family. Still the best honey I've had. Keep hitting long and straight in heaven Bernie!*

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**T K** - July 09, 2024 at 11:54 AM