



## Bradley Warren Keller

December 9, 1957 - April 8, 2023

Bradley Warren Keller was born Dec. 9, 1957, in Minneapolis, MN, to Dale Warren Keller and Nancy Caroline Keller. He graduated from Tartan High School in 1976. As a young boy, he loved to work with his father, Dale, at Truex Inc, a machine shop business that Dale founded. Brad later became owner and CEO of the business, enjoying the work of his hands.

Brad loved Jesus and actively lived out his faith by helping and serving wherever he was. He was active at church helping in Sunday School, Boys Brigade, and any building projects that needed helping hands. He loved using his gifts for designing, building, and fixing to help others: he was often first in line and last to leave in helping lay a driveway, put in landscaping, and clean up after church events. He also participated in local and international mission trips to meet the needs of people and share the saving gospel of Jesus Christ with others.

Brad will be remembered for his easy smile, joyful laugh, unmatched storytelling ability, and helpful spirit. It was common for him to see someone on the side of the road and stop to help them, changing a tire or taking them to get gas. Oftentimes, he would give them his hat, gloves, and coat if they didn't have them. Brad connected with people through his servant leadership style of relationship. Talking, smiling and telling stories all drew people in and made him easy to love. Spending time outdoors hunting, fishing, skiing, and

sitting by a campfire were among his favorite activities. Teaching his kids and grandkids how to enjoy these things was one of his greatest joys.

Brad stepped into the presence of Jesus on April 8, 2023, at the age of 65 after a battle with early onset Alzheimer's. He is preceded in death by his parents Dale and Nancy Keller. He is survived by his loving wife, Chris, his four children, Michael (Amanda), David (Ali), Matthew (Chelly), and Rebekah (Michael) Sharp, and his fifteen beloved grandchildren. He is also survived by his siblings Cheryl (Greg), Richard (Julie), Scott (Suzanne), and John (Annette), and many nieces and nephews.

The celebration of Brad's life will take place at First Evangelical Free Church (2696 Hazelwood Street, Maplewood, MN 55109) on Friday April 21, 2023. Visitation from 10-11 a.m., with a service at 11 a.m. and lunch following. In lieu of flowers, the Keller family encourages gifts to First Evangelical Free Church or the English Language Institute (ELIC).

Livestream link: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=28Qf2mFdSDM>

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR **21**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

First Evangelical Free Church  
2696 Hazelwood Street  
Maplewood, MN 55109

## Church Service

APR **21**. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall



“ Dear Keller Family,

*How nice it is to have family friends like the Kellers with Brad leading the way in all of the craziness! The Knutsons and Kellers are forever bonded together through our mothers, Jean and Nancy, but true friendships remain through their children. With 9 kids, competitive games of badminton, diving board belly flops, card games that included people actually jumping on the table due to excitement, hunting trips and Sunday picnics, the laugh of Brad with that distinctive voice will never be forgotten. Our thoughts are with you.*

*Jenny Lenhart*

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