



## Bruce Erwin Hansen

April 30, 1944 - December 23, 2023

Hansen, Bruce E. Age 79, passed away on December 23, 2023, at the Minnesota Veterans home in Minneapolis. Preceded in death by parents, Erwin and Arlene; sons Troy and Chris; and ex- wife Gail. Survived by siblings Bonnie, Kristie and Thomas; daughter Heather Dierks; and daughter Diana Martinson and her mother, Lynn Wonka. Born in Minneapolis, Bruce grew up in Eagan and graduated from Sibley High School before serving in the U.S. Army for three years, mostly in a Germany based intelligence unit. He was a free spirit in every way possible. He loved telling and retelling stories about how he saved his siblings lives repeatedly. No matter the facts changed and grew on each retelling and no corroboration could ever be found; he delighted in the narrative! He picked up his father's HVAC talent and fixed appliances all around the Twin Cities until suffering a mini stroke in 2011. Bruce was well liked by everyone he met; always considerate, friendly and generous to a fault. He was famous at the local VFW where I suspect a beer or two will be lifted in his honor - along with a tale or two of their own about Bruce! Rest in peace, brother. A military service will be held at Fort Snelling National Cemetery at 11:00 AM on May 7, 2024. Washburn-McReavy.com Edina Chapel 952-920-3996

# Previous Events

## Graveside Service

MAY 7. 11:00 AM - 11:15 AM (CT)

Fort Snelling National Cemetery  
7601 34th Avenue South  
Minneapolis, MN 55450