



## Bruce Allen Kalk

November 19, 1946 - August 8, 2024

Fish near the Coon Rapids Dam and Lake Cenaiko, as well as Whitetail deer population near Scandia are all now safer as Bruce Allen Kalk of Anoka, MN, 77, has passed in his sleep on Thursday, the 8th of August following health struggles.

Bruce, (known also as the Old Goat & Butch), was born in Stillwater, MN in 1946 to William Ernest Kalk and Lucille Norma Thovson. Bruce graduated Stillwater High School in 1965 and spent his time working at his father's Oasis Gas Station and working launches and cleaning fish. Having conquered all the fish in Mille Lacs and on the banks of the St. Croix throughout the school year and Summer's, Bruce volunteered for the U.S. Marine Corps and was sent to Vietnam from 1966-1968. While in Vietnam Bruce was a combat vehicle driver, both land and amphibious. He was very proud to have served honorably and did so on several deployments.

Having returned from Vietnam, Bruce landed employment as a Machinist until he retired. While working Bruce also Captained daytime and nighttime launch boats on Mille Lacs for several years on the side. Bruce enjoyed daily trips to the Coon Rapids Dam and surrounding lakes to find fellow angling sportsmen or veterans to chat with.

Bruce was survived by wife Joan Kalk, and step-father Donald Anderson,

sons Troy (Roxanne) Kalk, and Kol (Polina) Huffman, and daughters Maria (Carmine) Fatigati and Shona (Jason) Baker. Grandchildren Ashton Huffman, Tony Kalk, Samantha Kalk, Fox Huffman, Fenix Huffman, and Wolf Huffman.

Memorial service to celebrate Bruce's life will be Tuesday, Aug 27th at 4 PM, with a gathering of family and friends 1 hour before at [www.Washburn-McReavy.com](http://www.Washburn-McReavy.com) Coon Rapids Chapel, 1827 Coon Rapids Blvd NW, Coon Rapids, MN 55433.

Graveside Service with military honors will be Wed. Aug 28th 10 AM at Fort Snelling National Cemetery. Please meet at Assembly Area #4 by 9:45AM

# Previous Events

## Visitation

AUG 27. 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM (CT)

Coon Rapids Chapel  
1827 Coon Rapids Blvd.  
Coon Rapids, MN 55433

## Memorial Service

AUG 27. 4:00 PM - 4:45 PM (CT)

Coon Rapids Chapel  
1827 Coon Rapids Blvd.  
Coon Rapids, MN 55433

## Graveside Service

AUG 28. 10:00 AM - 10:15 AM (CT)

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

# Tribute Wall

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“ *Lisa Kowalzek lit a candle in memory of Bruce Allen Kalk*



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**Lisa Kowalzek** - August 30, 2024 at 09:35 AM

TJ

“ *Tammy, Kelly, Dan, Lindsey & Jacob purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Bruce Allen Kalk.*



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**Tammy, Kelly, Dan, Lindsey & Jacob** - August 26, 2024 at 01:40 PM

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“ *My condolences to Bruce Kalk family.*

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**Phyllis Schluessell** - August 23, 2024 at 12:16 PM

DB

“ *Bruce was a quiet man as I remember him..easy going and fun..He will be greatly missed. Hugs and prayers to all of his family.*

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**Diane "Susie" Brenno** - August 14, 2024 at 02:57 PM