



Chester Howard Gudvangen, Jr.

July 13, 1938 - January 18, 2021

Gudvangne, Chester Howard (aka Chet or Howard), age 82, passed away peacefully in his sleep from end stage renal failure on January 18, 2021. Graduated from Denfeld High School, Duluth, MN in 1956. Served in the US Navy from 1956-59 aboard the USS Ajax. He was proud of his service and enjoyed planning/attending annual reunions with fellow shipmates all over the US. Married Dorothy Kasowan in December 1962. Attended drafting school at Dunwoody Institute and worked for Pillsbury for 30+ years as a machine designer. He later worked for Tetrapak in St. Paul as CAD machine designer. For fun, he and coworkers built an awesome Viking ship boat for an Aquatennial Milk Carton Boat Race. He enjoyed hunting, fishing, and traveling. He loved to tinker around outside and help others work on designing/building projects of any kind. Proud member of the Columbia Heights VFW Post 230. He had the rarest blood type and achieved many pins for his consistent dedication to donating blood at the VA. Preceded in death by loving wife, Dorothy; and brothers-in-law, Carl Holt, and Don Pearson. Survived by daughter, Shari (Dwain) Mansfield and their children: Devyn, Aidan, and Alyxaine; son, Steven, and his daughters: Sydney and Skylar; loving sister, Jeanne Michaud Holt Pearson; nieces, Erin Warczynski (Scott) and Leslie Holt; sister, Claudia Gudvangen of Maplewood, MN; and brother-in-law, Bill Kasowan of Manitoba, Canada. Private family service and interment. In lieu of flowers, please send memorials to the St. Cloud VA Hospital, local VFW, or donors choice. A very special thankyou to ALL staff at the St. Cloud

Hospital, Meeker Manor (Litchfield), Chisago County Human Services, St. Cloud VA Hospital, Davita & Fresenius Dialysis, St. Luke's Hospital (Duluth), Augustana (Oakview - Moose Lake), Essentia Health Care, the Estates at Roseville, and St. Croix Hospice for your dependable care and support through this journey.

Previous Events

Graveside Service

JAN **25**. 11:30 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

Hillside Cemetery
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