



## Corneliu Simionescu

September 22, 1934 - October 10, 2023

With heavy hearts we announce Corneliu Simionescu of Farmington, MN passed away on October 10, 2023.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Theodor (Tudor) and Sandita Gabriela (born Manea) Simionescu and sister, Lucia.

Corneliu was born on September 22, 1934, in Bucharest, Romania. After graduating high school, he attended a two-year technical school earning a degree in electronics and telecommunications. As a student he developed a passion for Ham Radio which he pursued for many years.

In the early 1960s, he worked as a radio telecommunications officer on the first ships of the newly formed Romanian Ocean Fishing Fleet. During the next couple of decades, his work took him on numerous voyages to the Black, Baltic and Mediterranean Sea, to the Pacific Ocean, the Western coast of Africa and to North America.

Corneliu and his family emigrated to the United States in the early 1980s. He lived in New Rochelle, NY for two decades, prior to moving to Minnesota.

As a young man he loved hiking in the Carpathian Mountains, accompanied by his sister, friends or extended family. He was an avid reader who followed the news and engaged in friendly debates with family and friends. He enjoyed listening to a variety of music and in his later years he moonlighted as a DJ.

Corneliu also learned to social dance. Women of the social dance community enjoyed his friendly disposition. He was generous with family and friends and kind and gentle with children and pets.

Survived by wife of over 60 years, Elena and by daughter Adriana, extended family, and loving friends.

A celebration of life will be held at 3 PM on Friday October 27, with visitation from 2 - 3 PM all at:

[www.Washburn-McReavy.com](http://www.Washburn-McReavy.com)

Eden Prairie Chapel 952-975-0400

7625 Mitchell Rd Eden Prairie

# Previous Events

## Visitation

OCT **27**. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (CT)

Eden Prairie Chapel  
7625 Mitchell Road  
Eden Prairie, MN 55344

## Chapel Service

OCT **27**. 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

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“ I met Corneliu through his daughter, when he moved here to Minnesota to live with her. He loved to dance, and treated all women like they were queens. He was a gentleman, and a great leader. He DJ'd at my 2nd wedding, and danced up a storm that day.

*He loved telling stories, and jokes. He liked to tease.*

*When his daughter was encouraging him not to eat so much junk food, because of his health problems when he was 80 years old, he'd tell me "I've lived a good life, what does it matter?"*

*He loved his hamburgers and fries. He liked Mike's Hard Lemonade, particularly the black cherry flavor or berry flavors. I snuck him a small shot of it a few months ago and he was grinning from ear to ear.*

*I saw him a few days before he died. He was very sleepy, but squeezed my hand in acknowledgement. He knew we were there, and I believe he was comforted by our visit.*

*I am grateful to have known him, and saddened by his passing.*

*Rest in peace with Jesus, Corneliu.*

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