



Dale Roy Palmer

February 6, 1933 - January 24, 2024

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Dale Palmer, 90, beloved husband, father, brother, grandfather and great-grandfather, passed away peacefully at home on Wednesday, January 24, as he lived his life, surrounded by the love of family, with his wife of 66 years by his side.

Dale was born on February 6, 1933 in Osakis, Minnesota to Roy and Cora (Bergner) Palmer. He lived throughout the Midwest as a child, eventually settling in Alexandria, Minnesota.

He was a graduate of Alexandria High School and the University of Minnesota with a Bachelor's degree in Engineering and Master's degree in electrical engineering. He joined Honeywell straight out of college and was at the forefront of the semiconductor industry, which also took him to Silicon Valley.

He married the love of his life, Carol (Meinhold), in 1957. Together, they raised four children in Bloomington, MN; Minnetonka, MN; Saratoga, CA; Freeport, IL; and Plymouth, MN. Wherever life took him, his strong faith in God carried him through the best and toughest of times. Dale was devoted to his family and was an active parent and positive role model for all his children. Dale always made family vacations a priority and fun, including hiking in the Tetons,

skiing at Tahoe, canoeing in the Boundary Waters, and visiting grandparents in Alexandria, MN and Mt. Morris, IL. The soccer games and dance recitals for grandchildren were a priority. But, he also made the smaller moments special, as well like fishing at Parkers Lake with his grandchildren.

While family always came first, those who knew Dale well knew that his love of golf was a close second. Dale was grateful for opportunities to golf some of the great courses in Ireland, Scotland, and the United States, as well as his great friends at Pheasant Acres Golf Club. With his amazing memory, Dale could recall not just the courses, but specific holes he played and scores over the year - even in his final days. He was so proud to shoot his age on many occasions. In retirement, in addition to golf, he enjoyed playing Bridge, traveling, spending winters in San Diego and making many new friends at Riley Crossing.

Dale is preceded in death by his parents, his sister Geraldine (Chuck) Carlson; his parents-in-law, Wilfred and Edna (Allison) Meinhold and his brother-in-law, Neil (Donna) Meinhold.

Dale is survived by his loving wife of 66 years, Carol; his brother Don (Dorothy) Palmer of Kansas City; and his children: Michael (Kelly), Minneapolis; David (Kirsten) Michigan, Mark (Deirdre), Edina; and Lori (Jon) Larson, Deephaven. He is also survived by his grandchildren: Alex Palmer, Katelyn (Michael) Brammer and Nick (Kimberly) Palmer; Helen, Anthony and Caroline Palmer; and Annika and Allison Larson, as well as four great-grandchildren.

Dale will be deeply missed.

The family would like to thank the staff of Riley Crossing (Chanhassen) and Brighton Hospice for their loving and attentive care of Dale in his last months.

True angels! A private family gathering will be held.

Cemetery Details

Hillside Crematory

2610 19th Ave NE
Minneapolis, MN 55418

Tribute Wall

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Julie Ann Carlson - February 10, 2024 at 07:52 PM

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Dale was my mom's brother (so our uncle). I remember him especially when I was younger, because he was one of the few people who I knew who smoked a pipe. This picture was taken in the 1956-1957 era -- with my older sister Regan in red, Laura in white, Dale is far right with the pipe and another uncle overlooking whatever was going on is standing.

Dale and his brother, Don, were instrumental in introducing my parents to each other. Dad was "playing" with Dale and Don (while Dad was visiting an aunt who had a home on the same lake as Mom, Dale and Don's family). Dad saw my mom (their sister) from the distance and kismet happened -- he asked Dale who that "girl" was and he wanted to meet her. Dale's response "oh, that's just my dumb sister". A movie date happened shortly thereafter -- and Dale was one of the "chaperone's" for that first date.

My folks married before Dale and Carol, in fact, mom was pregnant at the time of their wedding with me, so she hid behind whoever she could when they took pictures.

RIP Dale -- you will be missed. Love to all the family.

Julie Ann Carlson - February 10, 2024 at 08:02 PM

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“ Dale was my good friend and bridge partner here at Riley Crossing. All of will miss him greatly as he was a true friend. Dana Dudley

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