



## Darryl E. Crossman

June 24, 1937 - April 25, 2026

Darryl "Butch" Crossman, 88, of Northeast Minneapolis, passed away peacefully on April 25, 2026, surrounded by family.

Northeast Minneapolis was more than just the place Butch called home his entire life-it was part of who he was. Deeply rooted in his community, he built a life centered on family, friendships, and the simple joys that meant the most to him.

Butch had a lifelong love of sports, both as a player and a fan. In his younger years, he played baseball for Edison High School and continued playing softball into his 50s. In recognition of his athletic achievements, he was inducted into the Edison High School Hall of Fame. He was also an avid bowler and spent countless hours on the lanes at Elsie's with friends. He enjoyed frequent rounds of golf with his Northeast buddies, where laughter and companionship mattered just as much as the score. Fishing was one of his greatest passions-a source of peace and fulfillment-and a tradition he proudly passed on to his grandsons.

As a boy, Butch spent many hours at the Northeast Neighborhood House ("Nut House"), where he found support, community, and lasting memories - an experience that stayed with him throughout his life. He later continued those strong neighborhood ties through social groups such as the Goldbricks and Little Men, where friendships and connections were central to his life.

Butch is survived by his loving wife of 61 years, Betty; his son, Jim Crossman; his daughters, Julaine Novak (Brian) and Tricia Crossman; and his beloved

grandsons, Tyler and Cruz, who will carry forward his stories, traditions, and love.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAY 1. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Church of St. Charles Borromeo  
2739 Stinson Boulevard NE  
St. Anthony, MN 55418

## Mass of Christian Burial

MAY 1. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Darryl E. Crossman.*



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April 30 at 01:36 PM



“ *My sympathy to the entire Crossman family. I played fast pitch softball with Butch, Jocko Slopek, and the Solz's in the 60's... fond memories of American Trailer teams. Butch was a great athlete, good person, and always fun to be around. May he rest in peace.*

*Doug Stay*

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**Doug Stay** - April 29 at 01:19 PM



“ *My heartfelt thoughts and prayers are with the entire Crossman family. I hold so many wonderful childhood memories of you all, and Butch's bright smile was always such a joyful sight to see. Warm hugs to you all during this very difficult time.*

*Renee Wojack*

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**Renee Wojack** - April 29 at 12:13 PM

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“ *By marriage he became my Uncle Butch almost 30 years ago. He was always kind and cheerful with me and our family when we visited in Minneapolis over the years, and we will always remember his smile and laughter. My kids will especially remember his generosity with his Candy Bar drawer which I think he employed to quickly build friendship and goodwill with them when they were little, and it worked! We will miss our visits with him, yet he will stay in our hearts forever.*

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**Maria Lennon** - April 29 at 11:56 AM

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“ *He will always be known to me as “Uncle Butch”. He was a really cool guy! Rest in Peace Butch! Love ya always!*

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**Denny** - April 29 at 11:26 AM