



## David Edward Culbert

January 2, 1937 - May 25, 2023

Culbert, David Edward David Culbert, a standout Dad, Papa, Papu, and Grandpa, passed away on May 25, 2023 in Eden Prairie, MN. We hold dear the fond memories and all the life lessons he taught us. Dave was born to Harold and Roberta Culbert in Columbus, Ohio on January 2, 1937. Dave had a mind of his own. He had a lot to offer the world and no one was going to stop him. He learned a lot at an early age working multiple part-time jobs. He carried this solid work ethic and fierce independence with him throughout his life. Dave graduated from Ohio University with a degree in history. He was active in ROTC and a member of the Beta Theta Pi fraternity. He met the love of his life, Nancy, whom he married in 1959. They celebrated their 64th anniversary in January this year shortly before Nancy's passing. Upon graduation from Ohio University, Dave joined the United States Air Force. He was stationed at Bunker Hill Air Force Base in Peru, Indiana, was honorably discharged, and achieved the rank of Captain. After his military service, Dave and Nancy moved to Bloomington, Indiana where Dave attended law school at Indiana University. In 1965, Dave and Nancy relocated to Minneapolis where Dave started his career at Coopers and Lybrand. He then worked for the Hennepin County Attorney's Office as a tax attorney. A highlight of this work was arguing before the Minnesota Supreme Court over thirty times. In 1977, he went on to start a successful private law practice in Edina where he practiced primarily estate planning and probate until his retirement in 2021. Dave had profound compassion for others and was dedicated to making a

difference in peoples' lives. Dave was a Mason and actively involved in the Zuhrah Shrine and the Royal Order of the Jesters. In addition, he experienced great joy in transforming into Santa Claus on Christmas Eve and visiting children. He never criticized others and lived by the mantra, "If you don't have anything nice to say about someone, don't say anything at all." Dave and Nancy raised their three children and four Yorkies in Edina. Dave devoted his time to carpooling, coaching, and watching all his kids' sports practices and games/meets; leading Scouts; and always offering a listening ear and notable guidance for career and life decisions. His love of fishing led him to invest in a "camping" cabin on Big Sandy Lake where he and the family enjoyed water skiing, fishing, and spending time with neighbors. Dave had a lifelong love for horse racing and invested in two beautiful racehorses, Fabulous Doe and Long Shadow. He frequented Canterbury Park and was known by many. Dave is survived by his three children, Lori Hough (David), Steven Culbert (Amy), and John Culbert (Erin); his seven grandchildren, Nicole Hough (fiancé Tyler), Kelli Hough, Matthew Hough (Sarah), and Clay, Caitlin, Evan and Nolan Culbert, and several nieces and nephews. Dave will be welcomed into Heaven by his beloved wife, Nancy; parents, Harold and Roberta Culbert; and brother, William Culbert. A special thanks to his caregivers, all of whom he appreciated, at Prairie Bluffs Senior Living in Eden Prairie and Brighton Hospice. Memorials are preferred to the Shriners Children's Twin Cities in Woodbury, MN and Normandale Center for Healing and Wholeness in Edina, MN. A memorial service for Dave will be held at 2:00 pm, June 25, with visitation from 1:00-2:00 pm and reception to follow the service at: Washburn-McReavy.com Edina Chapel 952-920-3996 West 50th St. & Hwy 100

# Cemetery Details

## Fort Snelling National Cemetery

7601 34th Avenue South  
Minneapolis, MN 55450

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUN **25**. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Edina Chapel  
5000 West 50th & Highway 100  
Edina, MN 55436

## Chapel Service

JUN **25**. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (CT)

Edina Chapel  
5000 West 50th & Highway 100  
Edina, MN 55436

# Tribute Wall



“ Washburn-McReavy Funeral Chapels created a Tribute Video in memory of David Edward Culbert



Washburn-McReavy - June 18, 2023 at 07:55 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of David Edward Culbert.

The Peters and Jakelis Families - June 24, 2023 at 02:49 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of David Edward Culbert.



June 21, 2023 at 04:44 PM



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