



David John Ulvin

February 28, 1948 - January 16, 2025

David John Ulvin was born February 28th, 1948, in Roseau, Minnesota to John and Elaine Ulvin. He died January 16th, 2025 in Edina, Minnesota.

He grew up on a farm with his brother, Daniel. There were always animals about, and family members had many stories to tell. He graduated from Roseau High School in 1966, and early on he had a great interest in music. As a sixth grader, he was proud of being a member of the high school band. At Augsburg University, he was in the choir and band. After graduation in 1970, he was united in marriage to Janet Call. They eventually divorced but remained close friends. Later, he earned his Master's degree from St. Cloud State University. Dave also played the baritone in church for many years. Faith and church were extremely important to him. In addition to teaching in the St. Paul Public School District for his entire career, he also became a real estate investor. His other interests included travelling-especially to Norway-enjoying the comedy duo Laurel & Hardy, attending church lutefisk dinners throughout the state, and watching hockey. Dave rarely missed a Minnesota State Fair, and he enjoyed everything from the food and farm animals to the Midway. He enjoyed spending time with his six grandchildren, and he loved talking to people and making new friends wherever he went. He will be deeply missed. Well done, good and faithful servant.

Dave is survived by daughter Rachel (Gabe) Jensen, Solveig and Declan;

daughter Ruth (Sean) Crego, Sebastian and Soren; and son Rolf (Danielle), John and Hank; Janet Ulvin; brother Dan (Julie), a host of friends, and his beloved parrot Parfait.

The funeral will be on Monday, January 27th at Bloomington Covenant Church at 10150 Xerxes Ave S, Bloomington, MN 55431, 11am funeral, with visitation at 10am. Memorials can be directed to Samaritan's Purse or the Down's Syndrome Association of Minnesota.

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Edina Chapel 952-920-3996

Cemetery Details

Lakewood Cemetery (Minneapolis)

3600 Hennepin Avenue South
Minneapolis, MN 55408

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 27. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Bloomington Covenant Church
10150 Xerxes Avenue South
Bloomington, MN 55431

Funeral Service

JAN 27. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

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Bloomington, MN 55431

Tribute Wall



“ I became acquainted with David through the Minnesota Multi Housing Association. He was a valued member who often attended our Investors Club sessions. David always took the time to chat with me, asking about my grandson and how he was doing. David was so very kind to me, and I will always remember that. My condolences to his family. Well done indeed, good and faithful servant.

Sandy Garbrecht - April 01, 2025 at 08:52 AM



“ Timothy Gjerde lit a candle in memory of David John Ulvin



Timothy Gjerde - February 06, 2025 at 01:49 PM



“ I was a friend of Dave's for a short time, it always seems that way, for some reason. i meet Dave 2 years or more. I am a custodian at Wooddale Church where Dave attended Bible Study Fellowship B.S.F. i KNEW HES WAS PROUD of his Norse Culture. So I told him i my Name . and was interested. he took a liking to me . I ll never forget him.. Tuc fadda Thank you se you soon Tim Gjerde

Timothy Gjerde - February 06, 2025 at 01:47 PM

GJ

“ So very sorry to hear of Dave's passing. We were close friends since childhood as were our fathers. Our deepest sympathy to his family.
Gus Jacobson

Gus Jacobson - January 27, 2025 at 03:07 PM

PH

“ Paula H. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of David John Ulvin.

Paula H. - January 26, 2025 at 09:32 PM

VA

“ Oh! I remember when David would wear his Commodore Uniform (when he was the Commodore for the Mpls Aquatennial! He looked so dapper! Always interesting stories, too!!!



Virginia Norlund Andre - January 24, 2025 at 02:14 AM

VA

“ Dave was the sweetest; quietest; kindest gentleman! Loved when he would play his tuba In church!!!! Always soooo GOOD! Talented! An absolute SWEETHEART!! You WILL be missed, David!! Love, Rex & Virginia Andre.(ECC)

Virginia Norlund Andre - January 24, 2025 at 02:11 AM



“ 45 files added to the album Life Tributes



Washburn-McReavy - January 23, 2025 at 05:55 PM



“ Days of Sunshine Bouquet was purchased for the family of David John Ulvin.



January 22, 2025 at 09:41 AM



“ My condolences to the Ulvin family. I always enjoyed hearing Dave play the baritone for church services and always enjoyed chatting with him after church. He had a lot of fun stories and knew how to connect with people. He will be missed.

Sandra Lucas - January 21, 2025 at 11:36 PM

KN

“ Condolences to the Ulvin family. Dave and I became friends during our son's hockey games. He was a special person always joyful to be with and wiling to help anyone. Even if the game was a loss at least if you were with Dave you would have fun. Dave will be missed.

Keith Norton - January 21, 2025 at 08:02 AM

TH

“ We are so to hear the passing of Dave. We always had fun with the Ulvin's at the Laurel & Hardy meetings, conventions & get togethers. Our sincere condolences to the whole family. Sending comfort & prayers. 🙏💜

The Hooper's - January 19, 2025 at 10:31 PM

JS

“ Dave was a very kind and giving person. Always eager to learn and to listen. We need more in the world like Dave.

God bless you Dave, as well as your friends and family.

Jeff Scislow - January 19, 2025 at 08:09 PM

PS

“ Praying for you peace and comfort Ulvin family. Dave was as friendly of a person one could find.

Patrick Stolz - January 19, 2025 at 07:52 PM

LL

“ The MnREIA community is heartbroken. Dave was an amazing man. He will be truly missed by all of us.

Loreal Loftus - January 19, 2025 at 05:39 PM

CB

“ *Dave was such a friendly, kind man. The stories he told were awesome and he had a very interesting life. My heart goes out to the Ulvin family, I know he will be missed. Carolyn Bauer*

Carolyn Bauer - January 18, 2025 at 08:06 PM

EH

“ *RIP good neighbor & friend of many years, who always had a smile on your face & something funny or upbeat to say. You will be greatly missed. - The Hand Family*

Eric Hand - January 18, 2025 at 07:48 PM