



## Duane James Rivard

January 24, 1928 - September 11, 2019

Age 91 of Roseville died September 11, 2019.

Duane is preceded in death by his wife of 50 years, Evelyn. He is survived by children, Mary (John) Pfeiler, Patty Rivard and John Rivard; 5 grandchildren; sister in-law, Annette Willis.

After serving his country in Japan in WWII, he graduated from the University of Wisconsin-River Falls and spent 37 years at State Farm. Duane was an avid reader and learner. He obtained his law degree from William Mitchell School of Law and held many insurance designations.

Duane spent over 50 years in many roles for Toastmasters International helping others to become better public speakers. He also volunteered at CTV helping to provide programming. He was an avid videographer and enjoyed making DVDs of family gatherings. He will be greatly missed by all who knew and loved him, especially his children and grandchildren.

Mass of Christian Burial 11AM Wednesday, September 18, 2019 (gathering begins at 10AM) at ST ODILIA CATHOLIC CHURCH, 3495 N. Victoria, Shoreview. Interment St Odilia Prayer Garden. Memorials preferred to St Odilia Endowment Fund.

# Tribute Wall

GA

“ I have known Duane for many years in Toastmasters. He was such a wonderful mentor and an example to all of the members in the various clubs to which he belonged. Many times several of us would get "a bite to eat" just to be able to spend a little more time learning from him. My condolences to the family. I will miss his presence but what he taught me will be with me until we meet again. Ginny

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**Ginny Altman** - September 15, 2019 at 12:00 AM

JA

“ Our deepest sympathy to Patty and her family



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**Julie Anderson** - September 15, 2019 at 12:00 AM

GA

“ I was with Duane on Monday at Toastmasters. He participated in the meeting as he always did, with humor and being an example to the rest of us as to what one can do. My thoughts and prayers are with the Family as they grieve the loss of their beloved father/grandfather. May you have Peace as you celebrate the life that he lived.

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**Ginny Altman** - September 15, 2019 at 12:00 AM

MP

“ Duane has been our neighbor for many years. We will miss our weekly Saturday night dinners with him at the House of Wong and Pippins. He was an extremely interesting man with a subtle sense of humor and so many wonderful stories - most often including stories about his beloved wife Evelyn. We always felt like she was still with us during our visits. Rest in peace Duane. Saturday nights will not be the same without your company.

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**Marilyn J. Piersdorf** - September 14, 2019 at 12:00 AM

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“ I met Duane through Toastmasters. Down to earth, kind, gentle man. And what a sense of humor. Duane could tell a whopper.



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**Steve Coury** - September 13, 2019 at 12:00 AM

CZ

“ Patty, Mary and John,

*We are deeply and sincerely sorry for the loss of your father.  
Our deepest condolences to your family.*

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**Cathy, Dan, Joe and Drew Zemmels** - September 13, 2019 at 12:00 AM