



## Duane Arthur Shultz

January 25, 1941 - June 7, 2026

Duane A. Shultz, 85, of Minnetonka, MN, passed away peacefully on June 7, 2026 in Des Moines, IA after an unexpected fall. Born on January 25, 1941, in Hedrick, Iowa, Duane lived a life marked by dedication to his family, career, and outdoor passions.

Duane married the love of his life and high school sweetheart, Shirley McCoy, in November of 1962 and shortly thereafter moved to the western suburbs of Minneapolis to continue his career and raise their family. They resided in Hopkins and the Glen Lake neighborhood of Minnetonka for more than 60 years, where they raised their 3 sons.

Duane graduated from Hedrick High School in 1959 before pursuing higher education at the University of Iowa. A proud member of the Air Force National Guard, Duane served his country with honor. His studies led him to a long and successful career as a mechanical engineer with Control Data and Seagate in the Twin Cities from where he often traveled to Asia to design, build, and repair complex production lines. Beginning his professional journey in 1961, Duane dedicated decades to his work before retiring at the age of 62.

Beyond his professional and military accomplishments, he was known for his love of fishing and hunting-pastimes that brought him so much joy and countless cherished memories with his sons, grandchildren, family, and

friends. Duane also had quite a knack for fixing things; whether it was a mechanical challenge, an engine that would not run or lending a helping hand to someone in need, he approached every task with kindness and skill. He even engineered and built his own skate sharpener when his boys played hockey and sharpened skates for countless local youth hockey players.

In retirement, Duane and Shirley spent their summers at their treasured cabin on Leech Lake near Walker, MN, and many winters enjoying the warmth, sunshine, and fishing in Lakeland, Florida, near his brother Ron.

Duane is survived by his beloved wife of 62 years, Shirley; their three sons, Doug (Kristen), John (Allison), and Brian; grandchildren Jessica (Brad) Bedel, Thomas, Clayton, Parker, Emily, William, and Charles; great-granddaughter Eleanor; and many dear nieces, nephews, friends, and neighbors who were touched by his generosity and warmth.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Ruth and Chalmer Shultz, and his brothers Ron and Marvin.

A Celebration of Life visitation will be held on Friday, June 19, 2026, from 5:00-to-7:00 PM at Washburn-McReavy Hopkins Funeral Home, 1400 Mainstreet, Hopkins, MN.

Memorial donations may be made to the Walker Senior Center in Duane's memory, honoring his life and legacy of caring for others (508 8th St. S, Walker, MN 56484).

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Hopkins Chapel 952-938-9020



# Upcoming Events

## Celebration of Life

JUN **19**. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Hopkins Chapel  
1400 Mainstreet  
Hopkins, MN 55343