

Edward William Zeman

April 16, 2016

Zeman, Edward William Age 91, of Coon Rapids. Born July 1, 1924 in Michigan, ND. Taught Latin and English at Cloquet, MN and Paducah, KY. Later moved from Burlington, IA to Coon Rapids, MN. Survived by his children Paul (Kristen) Zeman and Kathleen (Todd) Olufson; sisters, Judy (Howard) Vaughn and Rita (Phil) Vaughn; grandchildren, nieces and nephews. Ed loved to make new friends, spread God's love and hear people's stories. He was a blessing to many. Mass of Christian Burial Friday, April 22, 10:30 AM with visitation one hour before at the Church of the Epiphany, 1900 111th Ave NW, Coon Rapids. Private interment. Visitation Thursday April 21 from 6:30 PM to 8:30 PM at: Washburn-McReavy.com Coon Rapids Chapel 763-767-1000 1827 Coon Rapids Blvd.

Tribute Wall

SC

“ *Mr. Zeman was my English teacher in Junior High, in Cloquet, Mn. He was a very pleasant and kind man, always encouraged me in writing short stories. He will be missed!*

Sharon Langley Carlson - April 25, 2016 at 07:57 PM

RS

“ *I had Ed as a teacher in Cloquet. I took Latin from him. I remember attending the state Latin Convention in Albert Lea with him where I was elected State President. We hosted the state convention the following year in Cloquet. Requiesce in pace, mi magister,*

Rudy Senarighi - April 24, 2016 at 08:27 AM

KJ

Amen

Kim Jaros - February 21, 2018 at 01:29 AM

KJ

“ *Kim Jons lit a candle in memory of Edward William Zeman*



Kim Jons - April 23, 2016 at 12:34 PM

KJ

A beautiful, kind man. The twinkle in his eye made the world a better place. One of those fine men I will always think of as iconic teachers, fishers, explorers and all around good guys. We were lucky to know him.

Kim Jons - April 23, 2016 at 12:40 PM



So true_ a blessing come to earth. Rest In Peace Mr. Zeman.

Perry Richard Pellerin - June 29, 2020 at 05:22 AM

BE

“ *Paul, my condolences to you and your family.*

Brenda Lee Edwards - April 23, 2016 at 11:43 AM

MA

“ *1 file added to the album Fishing Trip*



Mark - April 23, 2016 at 08:39 AM



An inspiring catch; was a natural even with fish.

A thought of you from today Ed. Rest In Peace Mr. Zeman.

Perry Richard Pellerin - June 29, 2020 at 05:56 AM

KP

“ *As I grow older, I sometimes think back on the people who made the biggest impact on my life. Besides my parents, the person who affected my life the most is Edward Zeman. Mr. Zeman was my freshman English instructor in Cloquet, but he was more than my teacher. He encouraged me, he helped me to believe in myself and unknowingly opened doors for me that changed my life for the better. Thank you, Mr. Zeman, for everything. I can only imagine the fun you are now having in heaven. My thoughts and prayers are with his friends and family. May God bless you all.*

Kurt Petersen - April 22, 2016 at 06:20 PM

GL

“ 2 files added to the album *New Album Name*




Ginger Lite - April 22, 2016 at 12:55 PM

TB

“ *Tonya Burch lit a candle in memory of Edward William Zeman*



Tonya Burch - April 21, 2016 at 02:31 PM

 Diane Jennings

“ *We loved talking with Ed, watching him do his Lord of the Dance jig, getting a hug. Peace be with you. Diane and Chris Jennings*

Diane Jennings - April 20, 2016 at 09:32 PM

 Kathleen Hart

“ 1 file added to the *tribute wall*



Kathleen Hart - April 20, 2016 at 09:24 PM

BD

“ Ed always made me smile when I saw him. He always had kind words to say. I loved speaking to him when I saw him at church. A very kids sole!! I am positive he is rejoicing in heaven! May God continue to bless you Ed! You will be missed.

Beth Delaney - April 20, 2016 at 11:05 AM

LS

“ Lee and Ruth Skeens purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Edward William Zeman.



Lee and Ruth Skeens - April 20, 2016 at 10:34 AM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Edward William Zeman.



April 20, 2016 at 08:53 AM

LS

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Lee Skeens - April 20, 2016 at 08:32 AM

RR

Ed was always smiling and talking to everyone. I don't think he knew a stranger. Generous with blessings of praise, he has been sorely missed in Burlington, Iowa, since moving back to Minnesota. Deepest sympathies to whole family from his friends in the Society of Great River Poets.

Rod Reeves

Rodney Reeves - April 20, 2016 at 08:53 PM

TO

“ *Todd Olufson*

Ed was a good man, a loving man and very spiritual man who everyday loved life, nature and all people no matter who you were. I have been blessed to marry his daughter and in turn getting to know this gentle soul of a man!

Todd Olufson - April 19, 2016 at 12:30 PM

PL

Eddie was a good man and set a good example for everyone!

Patrick Lyons - April 19, 2016 at 08:27 PM

AY

I'm 29 years old and Eddie was such a great friend to me. He was always joyful and a blessing to be around. His happy spirit brightened the room every time he entered. He was loving, kind and good. Eddie helped a lot of people and his presence in Burlington, IA was sorely missed when he moved back to Minnesota. There will never be another man like Eddie! He was simply the best.

Annie Yore - April 19, 2016 at 10:58 PM

LS

Eddie is a gentle soul, my friend, and my brother. Even as I cry over his passing, I know he's home now dancing with his beloved Pat. God rest his soul and we will see each other again.

Lee Skeens - April 20, 2016 at 08:22 AM

BH

Ed was a teacher at Cloquet MN. High School and I believe I must have had him for English because I know I would not have taken Latin!!! My favorite look back picture in our year book is one of him in a toga!!! Wish I would have know he moved so close to Andover--It would have been fun to see him again. My sympathies to all the family members who have lost a special person in their lives. It sounds like Ed lived a good one.

Brooke Nordquist Haubner - April 20, 2016 at 09:35 AM

KH

My life is so much richer because I was graced with being a friend of Ed's. He encouraged me to pursue my passion for teaching and modeled for me how to love and accept others from all walks of life. His was a life so well lived.

Kelly Henry

Kelly Henry - April 20, 2016 at 11:32 AM

KJ

I remember Ed back at CHS of course. But even after that I know I talked to him when he was in Kentucky. He was a very nice, thoughtful person!!! So sorry for your loss Paul! Class of 1975. Kelly Pederson Johnson

Kelly Johnson - April 20, 2016 at 03:42 PM

KH

Ed was evangelizing before it was a buzzword. Help set-up the Liturgical Festival. Always a hug, a dance, a smile and a notebook. Left the weirdest donations to St Vincent's Food Pantry (like 1.12 or 1.77) and he never was closed to the potential in anyone. He wore Jesus on the sleeve of his shirt and would give anyone that shirt of his back. May that perpetual light shine on him as it shined through him here on earth. I'm sure he is teaching Jesus that dance step of his. Pleasure knowing you Ed and sharing poetry and life.

Keith Howard - April 20, 2016 at 07:36 PM

JM

Eddie was always there with a smile and good word for you. I'm proud I was able to call him my friend.

Jim McElhinney - April 20, 2016 at 09:19 PM

SK

Ed was a dear friend. Even though we moved from Burlington in 2010 we kept in contact with Pat & Ed by phone. I so enjoyed those conversations! After Ed moved to Minnesota I wrote him an occasional card or letter. I received a letter from Ed in Feb. on his "signature" self made letter paper (with the flower petals & leaves) giving me a bit of Ed advice and asking me for prayer. I will cherish it forever.

Sandy Kerr - April 21, 2016 at 11:30 AM

DM

I am happy for you, Ed - now dancing and singing with Pat and all the saints and angels... You brought so much child-like joy and goodness and light to our world - you will always be remembered gratefully by so many of us! God bless!!
Diane Mahoney

Diane Mahoney - April 21, 2016 at 02:02 PM

CH

I remember he was one of the first people to talk to me when we moved on his block in Burlington, and he wanted and was given some of my grandma's hollyhock that he said he had always admired. He talked kindly of my grandma, and told me that he had spoken to her often while they were neighbors.

Connee Hewitson - April 21, 2016 at 05:21 PM



I'll miss your hugs, Ed -- rest well with Pat!

Pat Bieber - April 21, 2016 at 07:04 PM

GL

I loved talking to Eddie. He had such a positive attitude about life and he loved people! He was a real inspiration!

Ginger Lite - April 22, 2016 at 01:07 PM



Sheila
Galbraith

I feel blessed to have met Ed. He put a smile on my daughter and my face when he'd stop us at church and give us such inspiring words. He had so much faith and spirit to give.

Sheila Galbraith - May 01, 2016 at 02:28 AM



Ed has left this earth but his mission and reason of being live-on

Perry Richard Pellerin - June 29, 2020 at 06:15 AM