



Elmer L Luke

December 3, 2015

Luke, Elmer L. age 89. Born June 21, 1926. Survived by children Brian (Jane), James, Debra (Jeff) Greuel, Tracy (Susan Larson) and Jason (Teresa); grandchildren Melanie (Jason) Mahowald, Taylor (Chantel), Maggie, Marnie, Dan (Leah) Greuel, Bonnie (Tim) Wildenberg, Dillon and Rhiannon; step-grandchildren Jon, Nils (Dahlin) Beth, Bridgette (Howell); great-grandchildren Addelle, Luke, Bridger, Ryker (Mahowald); sisters-in-law Janet, Gwen Ivancie, Lois Brownlee. Elmer was born in Grand Rapids, MN, graduated from Hibbing HS 1944, served in WWII - Philippines and Japanese occupation, graduated Gustavus 1954. Married Bonnie in 1950, teacher Grand Rapids 51-54, Hopkins 55-96. Coached boy's swimming 1957-95 and girl's 1972-96, also track, CC, basketball. 2 state titles, multiple section champs, all Americans. Member hall of fame: Gustavus, MSHSL, Hopkins, MN coaches. Personally a state champ, national Masters record holder, swam competitively to age 78. Special thanks to staff of Boutwell in Oakdale. Memorials: Sharing and Caring Hands, Union Gospel Mission. Visitation 4-8 pm Friday, Dec. 11th at Washburn-McReavy Edina Chapel, W. 50th and Vernon, Hwy 100, Edina. Funeral 2 pm Saturday, Dec. 12th, with visitation beginning at 1 pm, First Presbyterian Church, 6201 Osgood Ave N, Stillwater. Graveside service 11 am Monday, December 14th at Faith Presbyterian Cemetery, 12007 Excelsior Blvd, Minnetonka. Washburn-McReavy.com Edina Chapel 952-920-3996

Tribute Wall

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“ *Kim Thiede lit a candle in memory of Elmer L Luke*



Kim Thiede - December 10, 2015 at 11:10 AM

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I am a friend of Teresa Luke. Elmer sounds like he was an amazing man. I'm sorry for your loss.

Kim Thiede - December 10, 2015 at 11:11 AM

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“ *Mr. Luke was an amazing teacher at Hopkins High School, and I always admired him when attending school there. I have read about him through the years since, and send prayers for all the family and friends...he was an inspiration with all he handled through the years...amazing, really! Good memories of Mr. Luke, always with a smile on his face!*

Beverlee Parenteau Orluske - December 09, 2015 at 07:42 AM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Elmer L Luke.*



December 08, 2015 at 02:35 PM

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“ My husband, Paul, and I bought the house just east of Elmer and Bonnie's house on Orchard Road 21 years ago. They were the best neighbors anyone could ask for and we appreciated them so much and missed them when they moved away. They were both salt of the earth people, Christians who knew how to love, how to be kind and caring. The world could use a lot more people like them. We are happy they are together in heaven now and that we will see them again when we get there. Your family is in our thoughts and prayers.



Sincerely,
Jean E. and Paul J. Florek

Jean and Paul Florek - December 07, 2015 at 01:33 PM