



Ford William Crouch

October 11, 1939 - December 2, 2022

Crouch, Ford William (Bill)

Age 83, Mpls. Bill passed away early Friday morning while holding the hands of his wife and daughter. Preceded in death by baby daughter Amy and parents Fordyce and Alice Crouch. Survived by his wife Jane, daughter Elizabeth (Jason) Ward; granddaughters Grace and Adeline; brothers John (Bonnie) Crouch and Tom (Paula) Crouch and their families; and a cadre of hunting, fishing, golfing, Washburn high school, legal buddies, clients, friends and neighbors.

He had the gift of gab and lived up to his high school yearbook tag of "Conversation is my theme and in that I surely am supreme." Whether walking the skyways in downtown Mpls., the Main Street of Hopkins or dirt roads by Clearwater Lake, Bill always found friends.

Bill was born in Minneapolis on Oct. 11, 1939. He graduated from Washburn High School and went on to the U of M where he was a member of Psi Upsilon and earned both his undergraduate and law degrees. Following his graduation from law school in 1964, he married Jane Rossiter and began practicing law in Minneapolis, where he was still seeing clients 58 years later.

An avid sportsman, he enjoyed competition in all forms. He was a captain of the basketball and tennis teams at Washburn, and loved fishing and his

annual hunting trips to South Dakota. He was president of the Minneapolis Athletic Club and very involved in MAC volleyball and a national traveling team. From poetry to practical jokes; from rock 'n roll to Beethoven; from politics to philosophy; he enjoyed them all.

An ideal weekend was playing bridge at the lake with his parents and brothers, slowly cruising the lake with neighbors or teaching kids to fish off the dock.

But nothing came close to his love for daughter Elizabeth and her eventual family. Hearing her voice was the best medicine for him over the past few months.

A time of remembrance will be held at Washburn-McReavy Funeral Home, 50th and Hwy, 100, Edina on Thursday, December 8 from 2 PM- 4 PM with a "service" of remembering at 3 PM.

Cemetery Details

Hillside Crematory

2610 19th Ave NE
Minneapolis, MN 55418

Tribute Wall

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“ Bill was my lawyer, and the last time I saw him was July 2021. My sister and I met him for lunch at Granite City Food & Brewery in Maple Grove. He came a little late, but said he had witnessed an accident and stayed to give a statement, so true to his character. He was a delightful fellow as always, and it was fun to catch up. That's how I'll remember him. An embrace and a farewell till next time. I mailed him Christmas cards every year. This year was no exception. It was good to see you, Bill. My heartfelt condolences to his family. I'll never forget his charm.

Peace & blessings.

Jim and Jill (Dickson) McEachern (Mc-KACK-rin)

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