



Garry Paul Lodoen

January 18, 1947 - May 15, 2023

Garry Paul Lodoen, 76

Born: January 18, 1947

Died: May 15, 2023

Garry Lodoen died very suddenly and peacefully after a short battle with cancer. His wife, son, and close family friend were by his side.

Garry was born in Tonasket, Washington; the son of Dorothy Mae and Paul Kenneth Lodoen. He graduated from Moses Lake High School, and shortly after joined the Army. Garry served in Vietnam where he received a National Defense Service Medal, two Bronze Stars and two Purple Hearts. After Vietnam he moved to Fairbanks, Alaska, where he met his first wife, Linda, and had his only son, Garry Robert Lodoen. In 1983, Garry moved to Anchorage, Alaska, where he met and married the love of his life, Darla Slind. They married on March 29, 1991.

Garry worked for himself his entire life, mostly dealing in construction and sales, but also as an entrepreneur. He spent many years working in Russia as an owner of one of the first import businesses in the country. He was a world traveler, spending time in North America, Australia, Asia, and Europe. Garry

was also a huge fan and benefactor for the Minnesota Vikings football team. Anyone who has been to a game at US Bank Stadium would remember him wearing his horns and vest as Sir Purple Heart.

Garry was preceded in death by his parents and brother-in-law, Robert Taney. He is survived by his loving wife, Darla; son, Garry Robert; daughter-in-law, Rachel; granddaughter, Lilly; sister, Roberta; many nieces and nephews; tons of loving friends; and his best friend, Juju.

Forever in our hearts, forever in our minds. Till Valhalla... SKOL!

Memorial service to be held on Monday, May 22nd at 2 PM at Washburn-McReavy Eden Prairie Chapel, 625 Mitchell Rd, Eden Prairie, MN 55344. Visitation one hour prior.

In lieu of flowers or personal donations, please consider a direct donation of your choice to the local Make-A-Wish foundation in his memory:

https://secure2.wish.org/site/TR/WishYourWay/Make-A-WishMinnesota?px=8334857&pg=personal&fr_id=4704

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY **22**. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Eden Prairie Chapel
7625 Mitchell Road
Eden Prairie, MN 55344

Memorial Service

MAY **22**. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Garry Paul Lodoen.* ”



May 20, 2023 at 10:29 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Garry Paul Lodoen.* ”



May 19, 2023 at 08:24 PM