



## Gary L. Backer

March 3, 2016

Backer, Gary L. age 79 of Brooklyn Park, MN, went to be with the Lord on March 3, 2016. Preceded in death by parents, Alfred and Lillian; wife, Karon of 49 years. Survived by twins, Paula (Grant) Sorenson, son, Paul (Kristy); daughter, Joy (John) Laansma; and 8 beautiful grandchildren, Katie, Erica, Abby (fiance Craig Baird), Craig, Alyssa (fiance Andrew Serakos), Jonathan, David and Aaron. Gary is also survived by his sister, Marlene; along with many nieces, nephews and dear cousins. He served as a Land Surveyor at Hennepin County for 37 years, Dunwoody Institute as a Land Surveying Instructor for 32 years and KTIS, 98.5 FM Radio for 7 years as a broadcaster. Over several years, Dad enjoyed singing in the choir and musicals at New Hope Church. He enjoyed life long learning, graduating from Metro State University and Brown Institute. City Father's Magazine listed him as "Godfather of Minnesota Land Surveyors". The family wishes to thank Fresenius Dialysis and North Ridge Nursing Staff for the wonderful care. Memorials may be sent to KTIS Radio. A celebration service will be held Tuesday, March 8, 2016 at 11 AM with visitation 1 hour prior and luncheon to follow service at New Hope Church, 4225 Gettysburg Ave N, New Hope, MN. Interment Glen Haven Memorial Gardens. Washburn-McReavy.com Glen Haven Chapel 763-533-8643

# Tribute Wall



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