



George Farrar Burr

June 27, 1943 - November 15, 2025

George Burr, 82, of Edina, died unexpectedly at home on November 15, 2025. He is survived by Shirley, his wife of 59+ years; daughters Cynthia Ramsey (Glydewell Burdick) and Joanna Goldstein (Matthew Goldstein); and grandchildren Evelyn Ramsey and Carissa and Morgan Goldstein.

George was born in June 1943, and spent his childhood years in an apartment building on Riverside Drive in Manhattan, New York City, a city he loved. After attending Trinity School, he left New York for college at Tufts University in Medford, Massachusetts, where he met his future wife when they were both seniors. He then received an MBA in Marketing from Columbia University in New York.

He and Shirley became corporate nomads, living in many places where George's career took them, until they reached Minnesota in 1981. This is where they put down roots, raised their girls, and developed friendships - many of which have lasted for more than 40 years. His wonderful sense of humor was on display during his many gatherings with both friends and family alike.

Music was always important to George. He sang in school choirs and was thrilled to be an early member of the Tufts Beelzebubs, a men's a cappella group now known around the world. He remained close by communicating

regularly with Bub alums, contributing to the Bubs Foundation, and attending many Bubs reunions over the years, including 2023.

George always enjoyed watching pretty much any sport, and playing various games such as bridge, chess, and lots of games on his beloved iPad. He was able to bring music back into his life when he joined the Edina Chorale several years ago, and in which he was preparing to sing in this year's fall concert.

Understanding the importance of maintaining friendships post-retirement, George was an active member of GYRO, a men's social group. He also often joined his Galleria early-morning walking buddies, a group that dubbed themselves The Knights of the Rectangular Table (at Starbucks). Most importantly, he loved and was so proud of his grandchildren and attended their events whenever he could.

Memorials may be made to the Edina Chorale, the American Heart Association, or to a charity of your choice.

A private interment will be held at Lakewood Cemetery. There will be a Celebration of Life in early 2026 (date TBA).