



George James Rabehl

February 12, 1938 - August 27, 2024

George James Rabehl, age 86 of Champlin, died peacefully on August 27, 2024. He grew up on a farm near Rochester, MN, and attended Rochester Senior High School where he met his future wife Carol. He attended the University of Minnesota where he received a Bachelor's Degree in Agricultural Education. George and Carol were married in 1959 and in 1960 George joined the U.S. Navy and was commissioned as an officer. They moved to four different Naval duty stations on both coasts of the U.S. When he left active service in 1964, they returned to the Twin Cities to raise their family, eventually moving into their home of 50+ years in Champlin. During this time George earned a PhD. in Educational Psychology at the University of Minnesota. He took a position in the Osseo School District where he worked in Curriculum Research and Evaluation until he retired in 1997. Carol and George were active members at Zion Lutheran Church in Anoka and in their retirement, enjoyed the volunteer opportunities in the church community. They also pursued their love of outdoor activities including gardening, camping, fishing, hunting, canoeing, hiking, skiing and biking. Travel, both domestic and international, also became a valued part of their lives together.

George was preceded in death by his wife, Carol; parents, Leonard and Georgia; and his brother, James. George will be deeply missed by his children, Gregory (Hana), Scott (Lori), Lee (Ellen), and Lynn (Keith); grandchildren, Mallory, Mitchell, Nicholas (Celine), Benjamin, Jessica

(Gerald), and Hauna; great-grandson, Jaedyn; many other loving family and friends.

Evening visitation will be held on Friday, September 6, 2024 from 4-7 PM at Washburn-McReavy Coon Rapids Chapel, 1827 Coon Rapids Blvd. George's funeral will be Saturday, September 7, 2024 at 11 AM with visitation at 10 AM at Zion Lutheran Church, 1601 4th Ave, Anoka. Interment will be that afternoon at the Oronoco City Cemetery. Memorial contributions are welcome for the American Diabetes Association and American Cancer Society. For those unable to attend the service, a livestream can be viewed starting Saturday at 11 AM at:

<https://youtube.com/live/-ygM7GwTWZ0?feature=share>

Cemetery Details

Oronoco Cemetery

150 Cemetery Road Northwest
Oronoco, MN 55960

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP 6. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Coon Rapids Chapel
1827 Coon Rapids Blvd.
Coon Rapids, MN 55433

Visitation

SEP 7. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Zion Lutheran Church (Anoka)
1601 4th Avenue South
Anoka, MN 55303

Church Service

SEP 7. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

Zion Lutheran Church (Anoka)
1601 4th Avenue South
Anoka, MN 55303

Tribute Wall

MW

“ Michael W. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of George James Rabehl.

Michael W. - September 06, 2024 at 10:11 AM

AS

“ Anna Oelkers and Jeff Sewell purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of George James Rabehl.



Anna Oelkers and Jeff Sewell - September 05, 2024 at 07:26 PM

KG

“ My father, Henry Schroeder, was a childhood friend of George. His parents (Lincoln and Marcella) were friends and neighbors of Leonard and Georgia; their farms near each other in NW Rochester. My dad Henry recalled many stories and had fond memories of spending time with George and James. I'm sure Henry met George with a firm handshake in heaven! Sending my condolences to the Rabehl family. ❤️

Kathie Schroeder Grobe - September 05, 2024 at 11:55 AM

LB

“ Love, your music family at BHS. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of George James Rabehl.

Love, your music family at BHS. - September 03, 2024 at 09:18 PM



“ Joyful Memory was purchased for the family of George James Rabehl.



September 03, 2024 at 09:18 PM



“ With sympathy, your BHM Music Team planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of George James Rabehl.

With sympathy, your BHM Music Team - September 03, 2024 at 09:12 PM



“ Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of George James Rabehl.



September 03, 2024 at 09:12 PM



“ George was a forerunner in helping educators use data to inform curricular and instructional decisions. I worked with George for more than 10 years in Osseo when I was a teacher and principal; it's fitting to honor him today as MN students return to school. As an Osseo colleague, George was driven by what was best for students. I remember him fondly. I am sorry for your loss and hope that, as a family, you are wrapped in warm memories.

Kate Maguire - September 03, 2024 at 08:14 AM

NK

“ To the family of George Rabehl Our deepest sympathy to George's family. During the years we knew him, George always had treated us like part of the family. He was a very nice man and will be missed by many. May God bless his memory.



Nancy Kainz - September 02, 2024 at 02:39 PM

LE

“ Luceros, Dunlaps and Einspahrs planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of George James Rabehl.

Luceros, Dunlaps and Einspahrs - September 02, 2024 at 11:40 AM

LE

“ Luceros, Dunlaps and Einspahrs purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of George James Rabehl.



Luceros, Dunlaps and Einspahrs - September 02, 2024 at 11:40 AM

IG

“ Ingrid Johnson & Krissy Gobin purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of George James Rabehl.



Ingrid Johnson & Krissy Gobin - August 30, 2024 at 12:05 PM