



Gregory Charles Petersen

December 29, 1964 - April 27, 2024

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Age 59, of Northfield passed away peacefully on April 27th, 2024 at Mayo Hospital in Rochester with his sisters by his side. Preceded in death by his parents Charles & Patricia Petersen. He was born at Methodist Hospital in St. Louis Park, MN on December 29th, 1964. Greg came into this world a beautiful healthy baby with blue eyes and a huge smile. When he was 2 years old he had his first seizure. Due to the severity of his seizure diagnosis, doctors and medical advancements found the right combination of medications to allow him to live as full a life as possible. Through stitches, broken bones, fat lips, black eyes, and numerous procedures and surgeries he was a trooper. Greg always had that big smile with an "I'm okay" or "I'm fine" response.

Occasionally, some person, place or thing became "dumb". We can all recall him saying "dumb seizures"!

Greg lived at home until his teens then moved into a group home in Minnetonka. Greg has always liked time with his housemates, especially going out to dinner, bowling, and the occasional movie. It was even more special if he had his current girlfriend with him. He was a true ladies' man with those blue eyes and killer smile. Who could resist?!

He lived there until 2016 when the family made the decision to move him to Laura Baker in Northfield to be closer to Christine.

True happiness to Greg was his family, the weekends at home with Mom and Dad, the added bonus if someone stopped by the house while he was there...especially if it was his sisters with or without their families. Greg loved being an uncle to Mason and Tyler! He loved spending time with his grandparents, aunts, uncles, and cousins. Holidays were exceptionally special for him as this meant he got to see the extended family. Christmas was his favorite, as this day included his birthday celebration.

Family was the MOST important thing to him.

Greg had a fascination with ALL Minnesota Sports teams. It started with the Vikings then moved to the Twins and eventually went on to include the Wild and Timberwolves. Don't worry though, he never forgot about those MN Gophers. You just had to remember what time of the year it was to understand which Gopher sport he was watching. Let's be honest here, Greg would never really watch the game as much as he would watch the scoreboard. He could always tell you the score no matter what. A referee and a scoreboard made his day.

Greg's health continued to throw curve balls and he dodged most of them with grace and a demeanor of simplicity. This all changed a few months ago when he was diagnosed with colon cancer. The complications of multiple surgeries proved to be way too much for our beloved brother. Both us sisters were with him holding his hands and kissing his cheeks as he left us at 2:03 am on April 27th . He is now with our Mom and Dad and all the other loved ones that have gone before him. Our lives once again have taken on a new look, and we will have a hard time moving forward without him. Greg was so special to so many but especially to Christine and Pam. We will love you forever and always.

Survived by sisters Christine (Andy) Otterdahl and Pam Wiens, nephews Mason and Tyler, and many aunts, uncles, and cousins.

In honor of Greg's enjoyment for MN sports, if you are able to attend his celebration of life please wear your favorite MN team apparel.

Funeral service will be 2:00 pm on Saturday May 18th with visitation 1 hour prior at Washburn McReavy Chapel 2300 West Old Shakopee Rd, Bloomington, MN.

Reception to follow service.

In lieu of flowers, memorials to www.laurabaker.org/donate.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 18. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Bloomington Chapel
2300 W Old Shakopee Rd
Bloomington, MN 55431
(952) 884-8145
info@washburn-mcreavy.com

Chapel Service

MAY 18. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (CT)

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Reception

MAY 18. 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Pretty Please was purchased for the family of Gregory Charles Petersen.*



May 17, 2024 at 07:33 PM

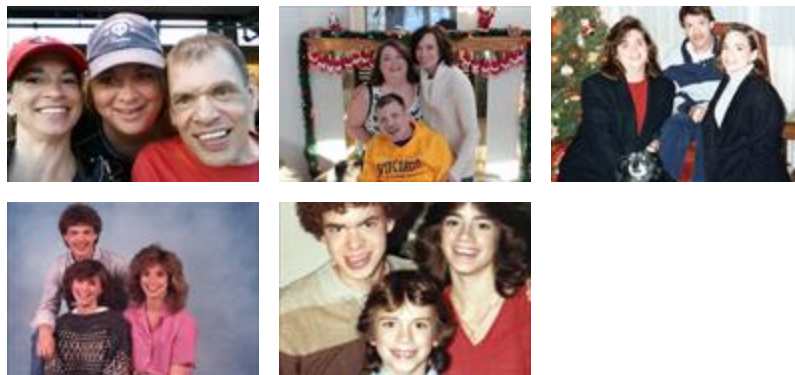


“ *Chuck remembered Greg coming over watch him work in the garage. I miss his constant smile. So sorry for loss ladies.* ❤️💕😔
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MYRNA - May 11, 2024 at 04:49 PM



“ *11 files added to the album The Three of Us*



Christine C Otterdahl - May 11, 2024 at 12:09 AM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Gregory Charles Petersen.*



May 10, 2024 at 10:29 AM