



Jay Paul Fillmore

June 5, 1938 - February 22, 2024

Fillmore, Jay Paul, Ph.D. Age 85, of St. Anthony, passed away peacefully on February 22, 2024, with his loving family by his side. Jay was born to Paul and Janet Fillmore on June 5, 1938, in Minneapolis, Minnesota. He was preceded in death by his son Paul. He is survived by his wife Janice; son David (Elena) Fillmore; daughter-in-law Melinda Fillmore; grandchildren Nicholas, Nathan, Evan, and Isabelle; sisters-in-law Elaine Kerr and Eunice Helgeson; brother-in-law Bernie Pecha. Jay graduated from Southwest High School in Minneapolis in 1956. In his senior year he was chosen as the student having shown the greatest progress in the field of science. He earned his Ph.D. in mathematics from the University of Minnesota in 1964. Jay married the love of his life Janice Helgeson on March 17, 1962. After serving in the military for two years, Jay taught mathematics at the University of California, San Diego, a position he held until retirement 35 years later. After retirement they moved "home" to Minnesota. Both had a lifelong love of music and played classical guitar as a duo. They were proud builders of a log cabin in the Cuyamaca Mountains east of San Diego. A Celebration of Life will be held Saturday, April 20, at 1:00pm in the Memorial Chapel at Lakewood Cemetery, 3600 Hennepin Avenue, Minneapolis, with visitation for one hour prior to the service. Memorials preferred to the Minnesota Guitar Society. Washburn-McReavy.com Northeast Chapel 612-781-6828 2901 Johnson St. N.E.

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 20. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (CT)

Lakewood Memorial Chapel
3600 Hennepin Avenue South
Minneapolis, MN 55408

Memorial Service

APR 20. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

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“ Jay and I went to Audubon Elementary School on Chowen Avenue in southwest Minneapolis. We both lived on Chowen Avenue so I walked by his house on the way to and from school. He sometimes invited me to play with him after school. He had fun scientific gadgets and inventions! He once sang a solo in class of “Ghost riders in the sky”. Another time he explained atomic theory to us. Most of our sixth grade class went on to Lake Harriet school, but I was sent to Fulton because of my address. We all met again in ninth grade at Southwest High. Our class of 1956 still holds reunions. Carol Alberts, Minnetonka, MN

Carol Alberts - March 12, 2024 at 01:20 PM