



Jeffrey Michael Eliason

February 7, 1950 - November 20, 2024

It is with heavy hearts that we announce the passing of Jeffrey Michael Eliason, 74, who peacefully left us on November 20, 2024, surrounded by his family. Jeff was a devoted husband, father, grandfather, and brother whose legacy of love, laughter, and kindness will live on in the hearts of all who knew him.

Jeff is survived by his wife of 44 years, Judy; son John (Kelsey); son-in-law Josh; grandchildren William and Cameron; brother Ray (Carol); sisters Holly (Jim), Sandy, and Carrie; mother-in-law Darlene; as well as many nieces, nephews, and friends. He was preceded in death by his daughter Kim; parents Marshall and Elaine; and wife's parents Glenn and Mae.

Born and raised in Minneapolis, MN, Jeff graduated from Southwest High School in 1968. He went on to earn a degree in chemical engineering from the University of Minnesota. Jeff enjoyed a fulfilling career at Deltak, where he worked and traveled internationally for the majority of his professional career.

Jeff had a deep love for the outdoors, and he and his family spent countless weekends at their cabin on Mille Lacs Lake, fishing, hunting, and creating lasting memories. After retiring, he treasured the time spent with his grandchildren, sharing his wisdom and creating new memories with them.

A memorial service will be held on Friday, December 13, from 3-6 PM with a prayer service beginning at 3 PM, at Washburn-McReavy Glen Haven Funeral Chapel, 5125 W Broadway, Crystal, MN, 55429.

Jeff will be deeply missed by his family, friends, and all who had the privilege of knowing him. His memory will live on through the love he shared and the mark he left on the lives of those around him.

Previous Events

Prayer Service

DEC 13. 3:00 PM - 3:30 PM (CT)

Glen Haven Chapel
5125 West Broadway
Crystal, MN 55429

Visitation

DEC 13. 3:30 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

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5125 West Broadway
Crystal, MN 55429

Tribute Wall



“ Washburn-McReavy Funeral Chapels created a Prayer Service for Jeffrey Michael Eliason in memory of Jeffrey Michael Eliason



Washburn-McReavy - December 06, 2024 at 10:56 AM

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“ Michael T. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Jeffrey Michael Eliason.

Michael T. - December 13, 2024 at 12:31 AM

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“ The Lieberman's purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Jeffrey Michael Eliason.



The Lieberman's - December 12, 2024 at 09:51 PM

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The Lieberman's - December 12, 2024 at 09:51 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Jeffrey Michael Eliason.*



December 10, 2024 at 05:22 PM



“ *All of us who worked with Jeff knew he was an outstanding quality control engineer. We also knew Jeff as a quality human and a man of integrity. He took his job seriously and he expected others to do the same. At the same time, he was always friendly and encouraging to those he worked with. The world needs more people like Jeff. He will be missed.*

Steve Torkildson - December 03, 2024 at 10:10 PM



“ *So sorry to hear of Jeff passing on. We first met at a refinery in Pennsylvania in 1976, at that time Jeff worked for Deltak and I worked for Econo Therm. I was very impressed with Jeff's dedication to his job and his customer! We eventually both ended up at Deltak and Jeff was a true QUALITY guy!! Enjoyed working with him for many years and learned a lot from from his skills and also frequent fish discussions!! Kevin Zahler*

Kevin Zahler - December 03, 2024 at 10:30 AM

RJ

Our cousin Jeff was always kind and welcoming to us. We spent many wonderful week ends at the cabin enjoying relaxing days swimming at the beach and nights roasting marshmallows in front of a roaring fire. Christmas was an especially wonderful time too. All the family would get together to celebrate the holiday. Jeff always brought his cheerfulness to this event. My personal favorite memory is remembering Jeff's hugs. I'm under five feet tall and Jeff was over six feet tall. When he bent over to hug me felt like I was being embraced by a "gentle giant". I'll miss his kind nature and loving spirit. Rory Jones and Family

Rory Jones - December 03, 2024 at 05:33 PM

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My good friend Jeff has moved on to a new adventure. We shared many hunting and fishing trips together. One of Jeff's favorite movies was Jeramiah Johnson. In the movie two of the mountain men on departing each time would say " watch your top knot" which meant don't get scalped. The other would answer " watch Yorn" We occasionally would say the same thing to each other. Jeff watch your Top Knot.

I have many great memories with Jeff. Framing his garage on the west side of Milacs including roof rafters in one Saturday. His Handmade wooden boat by Hugo on Milacs Lake. Hauling by hand a boat through the woods filled with shotguns, decoys, lunch and coffee, for opening Duck hunting. Evening fishing opener off Sherman points fourth cabin where the sand and gravel meet at 15 feet. limits of walleye caught. Jeff knew Milacs better than the Babe Winkleman's of the day.

*I miss you already,
Mike Murphy*

Mike Murphy - December 06, 2024 at 02:51 PM