



John R Bechtel, Jr

March 21, 1930 - March 31, 2023

BECHTEL, John R. Jr. age 93, of Bloomington, MN. Born in Ridley Park, PA March 21, 1930. Passed away March 31, 2023. Preceded in death by his two best friends, his only love, his wife Marjorie L. Bechtel (Pelinka) and son Gary W. Bechtel. Parents, John Sr, New Enterprise, PA and Marie M. Bechtel (Morgart) Roaring Spring, PA. 1930 family moved to Washington D.C. 1939 to Virginia and 1944 to Minnesota. John graduated from Mechanic Arts High School, St.Paul, 1947. Attended Macalester College. U.S. Army veteran of the Korean War. Served with the 24th Infantry Division 1951-1953. John met and married Marjorie Pelinka of Owatonna, MN in 1956. A year later son Gary was born. John began a career in property-casualty insurance spanning 42 years, retiring in 1996. In 2004 John and Marge moved from their Portland Ave home of 48 years to the Realife Cooperative on Lyndale Ave. There John was involved in activities of the Co-op; served on the Finance Committee and coordinated various games. John leaves his thanks and love to his extended family in Pennsylvania, Marjorie's family in Owatonna, and good friends and neighbors at Realife Cooperative and Presbyterian Homes. All are welcomed to a Memorial service 11:00 AM on April 12th at Atonement Lutheran Church, 601 E 98th St., Bloomington. Memorials to Atonement Lutheran Church.
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Tribute Wall

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“ I remember meeting John when I was a little girl. He was my mother's cousin. What I remember the most was his smile. And through the years he would make sure to tell my mother that he loved us. He is at peace now and with his family.

Charlene Cain - April 08, 2023 at 02:11 PM

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“ I remember John carrying me on his shoulders when they came to visit. I thought he was so tall and strong I was about 5 years old. His dad and my grandma were brother and sister.

Mary O'Neal - April 08, 2023 at 01:57 PM