



John Samuel Bold

September 12, 1935 - April 25, 2025

John Bold passed 4/25/25, in his 90th year, surrounded by his loving family, in Eden Prairie, MN. He was born in Minneapolis to his Swedish mother, Eleanor, and his Scottish father, James Bold. John and Cherrie met at Hennepin United Methodist Church and were married 67 years. He attended Central High School and organized many class reunions. John graduated from Gustavus Adolphus College in 1958. He served in the US Marine Corps. His talent for photography was recognized and he was sent to Washington, DC to take portraits of top military personnel. John's talent for photography was passed on to his children and grandchildren. John and Cherrie enjoyed traveling to the National Parks and across the world. John worked at Dayton Hudson for 36 years in a variety of leadership positions. He traveled for fashion shows as a buyer in NYC, London, Paris and Milan. He was a recruiter for Dayton's, traveling across the country, visiting college campuses. John was always full of optimism, smiles, laughter, and energy. He was also organized, disciplined, and loved financial planning. He played ice hockey, organized a noon basketball league, loved to downhill ski in CO, and did extensive hiking in Glacier, where he worked before college, and in Tucson AZ while retired. John and Cherrie had a home in Edina for 44 years, wintered in Tucson for 27 years, and have owned a cabin on Lower Whitefish for 49 years. The cabin was his "happy place" where he enjoyed family, swimming, hot dog roasts, and the loons. John was a devoted father and grandfather, always encouraging good grades, sports, and discipline. He provided his time,

financial expertise and leadership skills in support of Gustavus Adolphus College, the YMCA/ Camp Warren, and Hennepin Avenue United Methodist Church. John enjoyed camping with family and friends with trips to the mountains and the Boundary Waters in the winter. John is survived by his wife, Cherrie; daughters, Susan Bold Schumacher and Linda (Dale Schurle) Bold; granddaughters, Allison (Ben), Sarah (Tony), and Caroline; and great-grandsons, Jack, William and Charlie. A celebration of life will be held Saturday, May 17th from 3-4pm with visitation an hour before and a tea following the service. In lieu of flowers memorials preferred to American Heart Association or a charity of your choosing.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 17. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (CT)

Eden Prairie Chapel
7625 Mitchell Road
Eden Prairie, MN 55344

Memorial Service

MAY 17. 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ Washburn-McReavy Funeral Chapels created a Tribute Video in memory of John Samuel Bold



Washburn-McReavy - May 11, 2025 at 01:53 PM



“ Washburn-McReavy Funeral Chapels created a Memorial Service for John Samuel Bold in memory of John Samuel Bold



Washburn-McReavy - April 27, 2025 at 05:09 PM



“ John was one person who was special to me, especially in my career. Besides being a basketball buddy, John helped me get started in my career at Dayton's. Giving me good advise and support. John always had a positive demeanor and I can't think of a time when I didn't enjoy being in his presence. My condolences to his family as I know he is much loved.

Ilja Gregor

ilja Gregor - May 17, 2025 at 11:28 AM

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“ Cherrie, I offer my heartfelt condolence to you and your beautiful family. Over the course of my 42 year working career, I spent 12 wonderful years working with John at Dayton's. In reminiscing on that life changing experience, I immediately thought about George Washington Carver and what he said years ago. I Quote: "How far you go in life depends on your being tender with the young, compassionate with the aged, sympathetic with the striving and tolerant of the weak and strong. Because some day in your life you will have been all of these" I always admired John's energizing tenderness, his enthusiastic compassion and the genuine kindness he warmly shown to those (like me) who needed a helping hand in their career journey. Gratitude is the word that springs from my heart when I reflect on John's precious friendship and his wonderful mentoring influence that gave me a special sense of pride and confidence. I am blessed and so very thankful to John for always being there for me. "Everyday is God's Gift" and John will forever be in my heart.

John, Rest In Peace my friend.

Gene Washington

Gene Washington - May 16, 2025 at 12:16 PM

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“ The Gene Washington Family purchased the Treasured Lilies Spray for the family of John Samuel Bold.



The Gene Washington Family - May 15, 2025 at 06:41 PM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of John Samuel Bold.*



May 14, 2025 at 10:51 AM

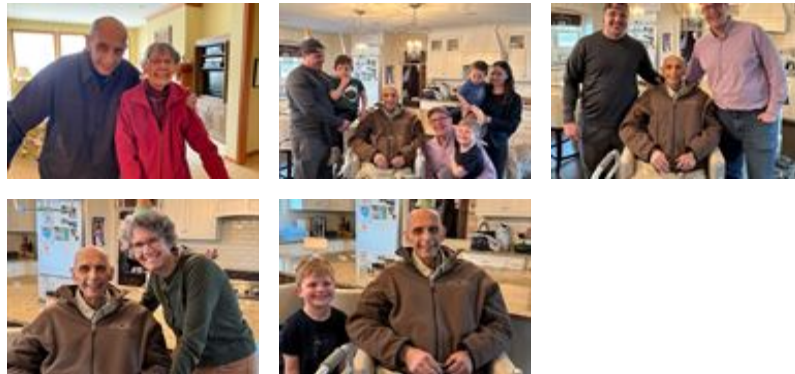


“ *the men in the family are not long-lived. One exception was my father, John's Uncle Paul, who lived to 87. When John approached that age, he called me several times to determine the exact number of days Paul lived. When he passed that mark, he called me again, so excited to be the longest-lived! Don Samelson, cousin*

Donald Samelson - May 13, 2025 at 10:21 PM



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