



## John William Engelhardt

March 30, 1932 - October 24, 2024

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3/30/32 - 10/24/24

Known ironically by his family as the "Kaiser", John was a well-loved character by all who knew him.

John was born in Wauwatosa WI, and went on to attend the University of Notre Dame. He served as an officer in the Marine Corps from 1954 - 1958, and continued in the Marine Corps Reserves for a further 20 years.

He met his wife, Mary, in Washington D C. They were married in 1958 and lived in Milwaukee, WI, where their first two girls, Jean and Nancy were born. Work brought the family to Cleveland, OH, and ultimately to Minneapolis in 1968, where John worked as a corporate real estate agent for Dayton-Hudson for the rest of his career. Here, the last two children, Julie and Bill were born.

John was a rare man of exceptional integrity and fairness. He was a life long, devoted Catholic, working countless volunteer hours for the Church. John was a generous host to friends and family, and the occasional foreign exchange student. Many of his guests will recall his well-stocked after dinner liquor tray! John always put the needs of others before his own, seeing to the comfort of those around him. He had a wonderful sense of humor, and a love of travel.

He was adored by dogs and children - especially his own. He will be greatly missed and fondly remembered.

John was preceded in death by his wife of 65 years, Mary, his parents, William and Norma, his sister, Claire Goodwin, brother, Thomas, and son-in-law, Keith Magnuson.

He is survived by his sister, Suzie Zimmerman (Gary), and 4 children: Jean Magnuson (Keith), Nancy, Julie Carr (Paul), William (Stephanie), 8 grandchildren, and 3 great grandsons.

In memory of John, please make a donation to a Veteran's organization of your choice, or to Catholic Charities.