



## John Bennett Axel Idstrom

December 3, 1941 - April 23, 2020

John BA Idstrom II Age 78, of Minneapolis, peacefully passed away on 4/23/20. Survived by his nieces, Deirdre (Chris) Hultgren, Alissa (Eric) Canfield, Amelia (Adam) Gislason, Enid (Shane) Mason, eight great nieces and nephews, and the David Ostreim Family. Preceded in death by sister, Gail Idstrom Dahlstrom and parents, Dr. LG and Gladys Idstrom. At age 15, John was smitten by great architecture during a family trip around the world and turned his love of great design into his life's work. He graduated from the University of Minnesota School of Architecture with a Bachelor of Architecture degree and earned a bachelor's degree in psychology and business administration from Gustavus Adolphus College. A founder of Partners 4, Design, John was known as the idea man. For John, the idea started with a relationship, he believed all successful projects began there. He worked to find a common language with clients to translate concepts into designs. That's where the magic happened. John's process worked so well successive generations often returned to P4D. Over a 40 year career, he received numerous National Kitchen and Bath Association and American Society of Interior Designers awards including a NKBA Lifetime Achievement Award in 2017. He leaves behind a legacy in the design community. His smile, quick wit and kindness affected many. He liked classic cars and boats, enjoyed his horses and always had a dog. He will be greatly missed by all who knew him and loved him. A heartfelt thank you to all his healthcare professionals for their extraordinary care these last few years. Private burial. Reception to be

held at a later date. Memorials preferred to Courage Kenny Institute. We love you "Uncle Bee"!

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# Tribute Wall

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“ *My name is Cheri Rosenthal and I was a neighbor of John's at IMS Lofts. He was always the sweetest man! John would always take the time to greet us and pet our dog. We missed seeing him when he moved out but often would ask about him when we ran into his work partner, David. My hearts go out to all of you and want you to know what a wonderful man he was!*

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