



John McGinnis

July 6, 2011

McGinnis, John age 76, passed away July 2 due to complications of an earlier stroke. As a proud Army veteran, John appreciated the care received at the Veteran's Hospital and years of support and friendship from the Fridley American Legion. An independent spirit, he was successful in his career as self-employed businessman of diner's books, card and gift shop owner, landlord, blackjack and stock market player. He was also an avid sports fan, and was cheering on the Twins and following the stock market up until the end. Golfing and gambling were his passions even with the challenge of poor eye sight in recent years. A visit to Vegas or Grand Casino would still bring a twinkle to his eyes. Over the course of his life, John thoroughly enjoyed offering his unique pearls of wisdom and passionately detailed life stories. For good measure, he would throw in an extremely bad joke, probably to see if you were paying attention. Preceded in death by parents, Edmund and Evelyn McGinnis. Survived by former wife, Mimi; daughters, Shelly (David) Rausch, Sue, Shannon (Rocky Hanson); grandchildren, Tony, Anna, Olivia and Zachary; sisters, Jeanne Gray and Carmen Dison, brother, Michael; numerous nieces and nephews. Visitation Thursday from 5-8 pm at Washburn-McReavy, 4101 Central Ave NE, Col Hgts. Visitation one hour prior to Mass of Christian Burial Friday at 9:30 am, Immaculate Conception Church, 4030 Jackson Street, Col Hgts, followed by a lunch reception. Private interment at Ft Snelling National Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorials are preferred and will be donated to the VA and the American Legion. Washburn-McReavy

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