



John Blaine Vande Creek

June 18, 1937 - March 2, 2024

Vande Creek, John Blaine fondly known as Blaine, died at his home in Minneapolis, Minnesota on Saturday, March 2, 2024. Blaine was a passionate woodworker, golfer, a phenomenal cook and a voracious reader. He will be remembered for his lifelong partnership with his wife Lynn, whom he met in high school. Blaine and Lynn created many welcoming homes and lifelong friendships over the years in Milwaukee, Wayzata, Rochester, Colts Neck, Chicago, and Williamsburg. He is preceded in death by his mother Katherine, his father, John Blaine and sister Barbara. Blaine attended Shorewood High School and went on to Purdue University, where he was a member and president of Pi Kappa Alpha Fraternity. Upon graduation, Blaine joined IBM where he was one of their first Wisconsin employees. After 28 years with IBM, he retired and started a second executive career with CNA Insurance in Chicago. Following retirement, he and Lynn relocated to Williamsburg, Virginia and lived for 22 remarkable years at The Governors Land. Blaine is survived by his wife, Lynn, and children Lisbeth (Steve Sjoblad), Anne, John, and Sara, six beloved grandchildren and extended family. Blaine was much loved and will be greatly missed. A funeral service will be held at St. Stephens Church Edina Thursday, March 7th; 11:00am.

Tribute Wall



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of John Blaine Vande Creek.*



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“ *Brian, Chris, Natalie and Joe Gould planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of John Blaine Vande Creek.*

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“ *Sincere condolences to Lynn and all of Blaine's loved ones. Blaine was a gentle giant, kind and loving. So blessed to have shared our lives with he and Lynn.*

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