



Kankham Vannavong

October 1, 1942 - April 30, 2025

In Loving Memory of Kankham Vannavong

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It is with deep sadness that we announce the passing of Kankham Vannavong on April 30, 2025, at the age of 82. A beloved husband, father, grandfather, and respected member of the Laotian community, Kankham's life was marked by devotion to his family, quiet strength, and enduring wisdom.

Born on October 1, 1942, in Luangprabang, Laos, Kankham lived a life rooted in tradition, love, and perseverance. He was a man of integrity who carried his heritage proudly and passed down values of resilience, compassion, and unity to the generations that followed.

Kankham is survived by his devoted wife, Bouavahn Vannavong, with whom he shared a lifetime of love and partnership. He was a proud father to his children, their spouses, and his beloved grandchildren:

- Somdy "Noy" Phongsavath and Mark Richardson, parents of Sabrina and

Veronica Phongsavath

- Sayavong "Sebastian" Vannavong and Tom Frattallone
- Sayavath "Thone" Vannavong, parent of Khampeu Vannavong
- Latana "Joy" Vannavong and Josie Vannavong, parents of Jaid, Bella, and Connor Vannavong
- Maniphone "Mani" Vannavong, parent of Anuuke Vannavong
- Phonesavanh "Dot" Vannavong, beloved dog mom to Mushu, Kana, and Pukki
- Ratanakone "Tang" Vannavong
- Sengdara "Sun" Grue and Nicholas Grue, parents of Collette and Mathis Grue

Kankham's presence brought warmth and stability to all who knew him. He will be remembered for his gentle spirit, his love of family, and the deep pride he held in his children and grandchildren.

His passing leaves a profound void in the hearts of those who loved him, but his memory will live on through the many lives he touched.

A traditional Laotian funeral service will be held on Sunday, May 4, 2025, at

1:00 p.m., with visitation one hour prior, at Washburn-McReavy Crystal Lake Funeral Chapel and Cemetery, located at 3816 Penn Ave North, Minneapolis, MN 55412.

The Vannavong family extends their heartfelt gratitude for the love and support received during this time.

Tribute Wall

BJ

“ Ben johnson purchased the Simply Elegant Spat
hiphyllum for the family of Kankham Vannavong.



Ben johnson - May 03, 2025 at 09:23 PM

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“ Ben johnson planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Kankham
Vannavong.

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PD

“ Pakou and Dan purchased the Magnificent Life S
pray for the family of Kankham Vannavong.



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LM

“ Love - Harold, Kim, & Marlon purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Kankham Vannavong.



Love - Harold, Kim, & Marlon - May 03, 2025 at 05:12 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Kankham Vannavong.



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“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Kankham Vannavong.



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