



Kay L. Carter "Casey"

August 16, 1942 - October 27, 2023

It is with deep sorrow that we announce the passing on October 27, 2023, of treasured husband, father, and grandfather, Kay Lynn Carter (aka Casey), age 81. Casey lived at Autumn Glen Senior Living in Coon Rapids for the last year after living in Plymouth, Golden Valley, New Brighton, and Minneapolis, MN. Casey was born in Dexter, Iowa on August 16, 1942, one of three children of C.V. and Thelma Carter. He grew up in Sioux Center and Graettinger, Iowa graduating from Graettinger Community High School in 1960 where he lettered in baseball, track, basketball, football, and vocal music. Casey was a standout football player and earned All-State Honor Roll in his senior year. After high school he attended junior college in Emmetsburg and Estherville where he played football.

In 1962 Casey enlisted in the U.S. Navy becoming an Electronics Technician (Radar) and attaining the rank of Petty Officer 2nd Class. He served aboard the USS Great Sitkin ammunition ship and the USS Sylvania combat stores ship, both in the Mediterranean. He was particularly proud to be a plank owner of the Sylvania.

Casey left the Navy in 1966 and soon moved to Minnesota where he worked as an electronics technician for Honeywell. Shortly thereafter he met Carol Soine, who became his wife of 53 years until she passed away in November 2022. They were wed June 14, 1969 in St. Paul and before long, settled in Northeast Minneapolis. They soon began a family, with son Chad arriving in 1974 and son Scott in 1978 after moving to New Brighton.

Casey began working for the University of Minnesota building test lab equipment while also attending classes. He earned his degree in electrical engineering from the U of M in 1980. For the next 25 years he worked as an electrical engineer for Twin Cities area companies: TSI, Medical Devices Inc., United Defense and August Technologies.

Casey was a longtime youth sports coach. He started coaching youth football in Minneapolis before he was married and continued coaching his sons' numerous baseball, basketball, and football teams. He was also involved in Scouting, serving as a Cub Scout Den Leader and Boy Scout Troop Committee member.

Casey was a highly skilled woodworker and single handedly took on many large home improvement projects such as a complete kitchen remodel and a huge two-story shed/barn. He enjoyed making a wide variety of things for his children and grandchildren and was always eager to help with their projects. He was also an accomplished needleworker, over the decades creating a remarkable amount of beautiful and intricate counted cross-stitch artwork. After retiring he built doll furniture of his own designs and he and Carol would sell their handiwork at craft shows around the area.

Casey and Carol were longtime members of Atonement Lutheran Church in New Brighton where he joined Carol in the choir and assisted in various projects over the years. They loved to travel all over the country and had a particular fondness for visiting National Parks. In later years, they loved spending time with their five grandchildren, regularly attending sporting events, plays, dance recitals or whatever activities the grandkids were involved in.

Casey will be remembered for his capable and generous spirit and his willingness to undertake anything no matter how daunting it may have seemed. He was truly selfless, always willing share his talents or help in any way he could without looking for credit. He will be missed greatly by those who knew him.

Casey is survived by sons, Chad (Danielle) Carter and Scott (Jennifer) Carter;

grandchildren, Zoe and Zachary Carter, Jackson, Beckett, and Declan Carter; sister, Patricia (Dick) Graham. He was preceded in death by his father Charles Vernoy Carter, mother Thelma Carter, brother Charles Carter and wife Carol Carter.

The family requests that, in lieu of flowers, memorials be directed to the American Cancer Society.

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV 6. 1:30 PM - 2:30 PM (CT)

Coon Rapids Chapel
1827 Coon Rapids Blvd.
Coon Rapids, MN 55433

Chapel Service

NOV 6. 2:30 PM - 3:15 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



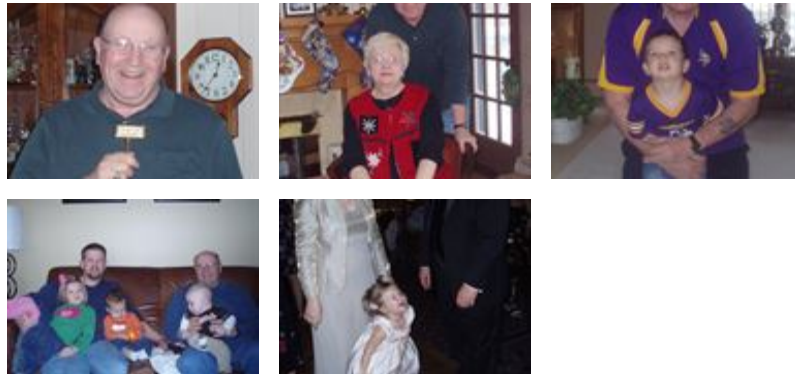
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