



Ken Akerman

April 22, 1936 - January 3, 2023

Our beloved father, husband, and grandfather passed away on Tuesday, January 3rd, 2022 at the age of 86 at his home in Coon Rapids. He was born April 22nd, 1936 in Evansville, Minnesota and was then raised on a farm in Ashby, Minnesota by his mother after the early death of his father along with his six siblings. He attended Ashby High School, being elected class president and winning homecoming king during his time there. After high school, he worked on the Iron Range for a few years before deciding to go to college. He then moved to the cities to attend Augsburg University. There he met his wife, Marilyn, whom he cherished for their entire 62 years of marriage. He graduated Augsburg with degrees in biology and mathematics; the only one in his immediate family to go to college and graduate. He then worked at ISO Commercial Risk Services before retiring at the age of 56. In his retired years, he was a devoted member to his church, an avid traveler, and an amazing handyman. He was preceded in death by his parents Walter and Ruth (Endreson) Akerman and his siblings Dale, Ione, and Louis. He is survived by his wife Marilyn (Ellingson), his sisters; Arlene and Merle, his two sons; Scott (Jennifer) and Jeffery (Catherine), and his five grandchildren; Joshua, Jordan, Jacob, Kyle, and Jadan. Along with many nieces, nephews, and dear friends. Visitation 5-8 PM Monday, Jan 9 at Washburn-McReavy Coon Rapids Chapel, 1827 Coon Rapids Blvd, Coon Rapids. Funeral service 11 AM Tuesday, Jan 10, with visitation one hour prior at King of Glory Lutheran Church, 10103 University Ave NE, Blaine. Interment Morningside.

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Coon Rapids Chapel

763-767-1000

Cemetery Details

Morningside Memorial Gardens

11800 University Avenue NW
Coon Rapids, MN 55448

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN **9**. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

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

Visitation

JAN **10**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

King of Glory Lutheran Church
10103 University Avenue Northeast
Blaine, MN 55434

Church Service

JAN **10**. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ Ken loved being in the choir at Olive Branch. We were a pretty close-knit group and shared lots of good memories together. A favorite is when we did the cantatas, " 'Specially for Shepherds" and "The Seven Last Words of Christ" in which Ken had a solo. He had a beautiful voice. Ken always had a positive attitude even when things were tough - like his diagnosis and having to live with disability. He was kind and loving, and always had a good word for and about others. Whenever I played Ken's favorite hymns, "Joyful Joyful", and "It is Well With My Soul", I knew he'd have tears in his eyes at the end of service. Ken enjoyed music and people. I will always have fond memories of Ken in my heart and I am rejoicing that he is with my husband Bruce, in their whole and healthy bodies up there celebrating with Jesus! Linda

Linda Schlueter - January 07, 2023 at 06:01 PM

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Such kind true words about Ken. He will be missed by many especially by his Godson.

Frances Voyce - January 07, 2023 at 10:58 PM

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Remembering Ken with thanks and praise to God. During our years together at Olive Branch congregation in Coon Rapids, during travels together later on, and then renewing friendship at Olive Branch reunions....all these times were enriched by friendship with Ken and Marilyn. And Olive Branch days were also blessed with time with Scott and Jeff. God blessed Ken with a positive spirit, a winsome smile, faith in the Lord, and soft-spoken but firm conviction in Most Important Things. We thank God for the inspiring example of Ken's and Marilyn's long married life. As certain as Christ;'s resurrection is the resurrection of his saints in light. Lois and Cliff Winter, Wichita, KS

Cliff Winter - January 11, 2023 at 06:05 PM