

Larry Kent Nickander

December 26, 1932 - February 26, 2019

Nickander, Larry K. 12/26/32 - 2/26/2019

Age 86, of Edina, passed away February 26, 2019. Preceded in death by parents. Survived by wife, Vivette; son, Kent; daughter Kim (Dan Schaub); granddaughter, Nicole Ward. Larry was born in Viroqua, WI, and grew up in Edina-Morningside, MN. He graduated from Grinnell College, IA in 1954. While in college, he met Vivette, his wife of 64 years, on a blind date stemming from a Smorgy cartoon strip about Miss Lulu of 1952. They were married on August 28, 1954. He reported for duty for the US Air Force in San Antonio Texas in October 1954. He did pilot training in Tucson, Arizona, received his wings in San Angelo, Texas and was then assigned to El Paso, Texas in the Strategic Air Command (SAC) where he attained the rank of 1st Lieutenant. While in El Paso, their son Kent was born in 1957. He returned to his civilian life in 1958 and began a career as a manufactures representative for Broyhill Industries where he worked for most of his career. Their daughter Kim was born in Edina in 1960. He enjoyed boating, a cabin on Big Sandy Lake and would tell his stories to anyone he met. He was a long time member of the American Legion and Presidents Club NCHFRA. He was a charter member of Christ Presbyterian Church in Edina.

Memorials preferred to the donor's favorite charity.

Funeral service Monday, March 11, 2019 - 11 AM at Christ Presbyterian Church, Edina with visitation 1 hour prior to service. Interment Tuesday, 10:30 AM Fort Snelling.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 11. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Christ Presbyterian Church
6901 Normandale Rd
Edina, MN 55435
(952) 920-8515

Funeral Service

MAR 11. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

Christ Presbyterian Church
6901 Normandale Road
Edina, MN 55424

Tribute Wall

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“ ... may Eternal rest Grant unto him oh Lord , and may his soul and all the souls of the faithful departed through the mercy of Christ rest in peace. Amen. Our condolences to Mr. Nickander's Family. We enjoyed our visits with a kind, sincere, thoughtful veteran always complimenting others and speaking so highly of his bride and family.
Michael and Janet Zingale

Zingale Michael and Janet - March 07, 2019 at 04:59 PM

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Kent Nickander - March 06, 2019 at 08:24 PM

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Kent Nickander - March 05, 2019 at 07:40 PM

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Kent Nickander - March 05, 2019 at 12:55 PM

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Kent Nickander - March 05, 2019 at 11:00 AM

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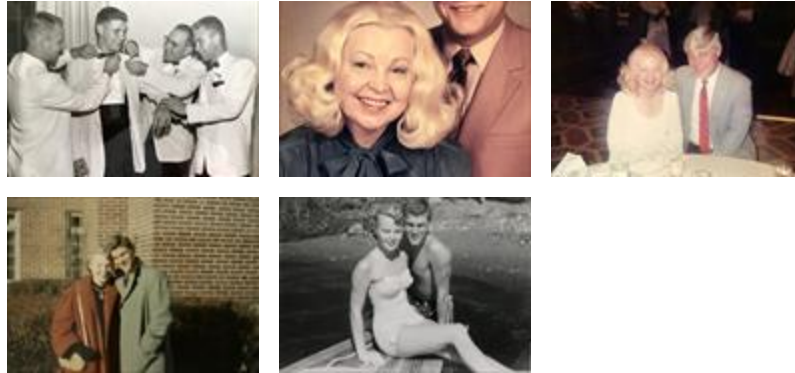
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Kim Nickander - March 04, 2019 at 10:05 PM

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Kim Nickander - March 04, 2019 at 09:55 PM

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Kim Nickander - March 04, 2019 at 09:51 PM

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“ *We have the fondest memories of Larry. He was always kind and friendly. He always found time to visit with my parents (Cliff & Shirley Yunker) and always brought smiles to their faces. There were many instances where he shared old photos of family members that he got from his mother Maybelle. It was always great to see him and share memories and stories. On behalf of our family, our thoughts and prayers are with the Nickander family. He will be missed by so many people.*

Mark Yunker & Shirley Yunker

Mark Yunker - March 04, 2019 at 07:20 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Larry Kent Nickander.*



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“ *My deepest sympathy to the Nickander family. I have nothing but fond memories of Larry and always enjoyed spending time with him. So sorry for your loss.*

Marcus Cary

Marcus Cary - March 04, 2019 at 04:33 PM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Larry Kent Nickander.*



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“ *Our heartfelt condolences to Vette and family. We will miss Nick very much. He always had the most interesting stories to tell, and always a smile and a wave from his front step. I don't know anyone else like him. Cate will especially miss their long walks with Huntley through Arneson.*

Sarah Way - March 04, 2019 at 09:56 AM

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Kim Nickander - March 02, 2019 at 10:26 PM

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Kim Nickander - March 02, 2019 at 04:03 PM