



Lawrence Joseph Determan

January 13, 1949 - February 15, 2025

Lawrence "Larry" Joseph Determan, age 76, of Bloomington, Minnesota, passed away peacefully on February 15, 2025, at N C Little Memorial Hospice in Edina, Minnesota after a 16 month battle with an aggressive and incurable brain tumor, glioblastoma.

Larry was born on January 13, 1949, in Marshall, Minnesota, to Ivo and Margaret Determan. He was the second of ten children and grew up on the family farm, often volunteering stories of the incredulous chores he was privileged to "get to do." A highly cherished theme passed down through generations, and most importantly, to his own children, whenever they felt tempted to complain of things they "had" to do.

He graduated from Central Catholic High School in 1967 and spoke fondly of the friends from those high school years.

He served his nation as a conscripted US Marine in Vietnam, where he was critically wounded and was awarded a Purple Heart for his efforts. From there, he would attend Dunwoody Institute and work as a tool designer at Honeywell for over 35 years.

In his free time, he enjoyed boating, fishing, water and downhill skiing, cycling, building highly customized computers, being a master craftsman, playing guitar, dancing, spending time with his grandchildren, avidly walking at the

MOA, and attending live music--especially bluegrass with Linda in Tucson, Arizona.

Larry was a faith-filled, kind and gentle soul with a very generous heart, an impeccable beard, and a laudable sense of humor, predicated on his mantra of "never let the facts get in the way of a good story"! Memories of his spirit will forever be cherished by all who knew him.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Ivo and Margaret Determan; and his sister, Rita Larson.

Survivors include his wife, Linda Edwardsen; his children, Lori Strand (John Pfeiffer), Michelle Johnston, Lance Determan (Lisa), and Will Determan; his ten grandchildren; his siblings, Monica Odom, Betty Coleman, Delphen Determan (Cindy), Mary Catherine Struchen, Bernadette Athmann (Thomas), Therese Roberts (Brian), Anthony Determan (Trina), Gregory Determan; and many nieces and nephews.

To commemorate his remarkable life, a funeral service will be held at Washburn-McReavy Edina Chapel on Thursday, March 6, at 11:00 AM, with visitation one hour prior. For those who are unable to attend in person, a livestream of the service will be available at www.washburn-mcreavy.com. From Larry's obituary page, click the blue tab that says "Photos & Videos", or if you are on a smartphone, tap on the tab that says "Media".

Interment will be held on a later date at Fort Snelling National Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to N C Little Memorial Hospice, Glioblastoma Research Organization, or DAV Disabled American Veterans.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 6. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Edina Chapel
5000 West 50th & Highway 100
Edina, MN 55436

Memorial Service

MAR 6. 11:00 AM - 11:45 AM (CT)

Edina Chapel
5000 West 50th & Highway 100
Edina, MN 55436

Tribute Wall



“ Washburn-McReavy Funeral Chapels created a Memorial Service for Lawrence Joseph Determan in memory of Lawrence Joseph Determan



Washburn-McReavy - February 19, 2025 at 02:15 PM



“ With deepest sympathy from Mall of America and the Mall Stars. Larry's energy and presence as an active Mall walker will be missed. Our thoughts are with his friends and family.



A donation to Glioblastoma Research has been made in his honor.

Mall of America - March 04, 2025 at 02:09 PM



“ Dear Family and Friends,
It was our pleasure to care for Larry at this important time.
With Sympathies,
Nurses and Staff at NC Little Hospice

Little Hospice - February 26, 2025 at 01:40 PM

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Thank you for your incredible care of ALL of us! I will continue to sing your praises and I don't have the words to express our gratitude! Thank you. Lori (on behalf of the family)

Lori Strand - February 27, 2025 at 07:08 PM

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My name is Ken Meyer. I am sorry to see that Larry passed . I lived with Larry while we attended Dunwoody in 1971-72. Looks like he turned out to be a good guy. He had some tough days when we were living together. He was just fresh out of the service and had a lot of healing to do.

ken Meyer - March 04 at 12:32 PM



“ A sympathy card was purchased for the family of Lawrence Joseph Determan.



February 24, 2025 at 03:23 PM