



Mark Bielawski

January 22, 1938 - May 7, 2023

Bielawski, Mark 85, born in Kostopol Poland, passed away peacefully on May 7, 2023 at his home in Robbinsdale, MN. He will be buried on June 7, 2023 at Fort Snelling in an intimate memorial. Mark will be deeply missed by his loving wife of 62 years, Maurine, his three daughters, Angela Bielawski (Craig Weckwerth), Stephanie (Albert) Welke and Paula Sams, his two granddaughters Sydney Bielawski and Rachel Weckwerth, his Brother Pete (Cindy) Bielawski, and many other loving family and friends. Mark was preceded in death by both his parents, his brother and sister-in-law Chester and Helen Bielawski. Mark was born in Poland, his family left Poland during the war and arrived in Wisconsin, then they moved to NE Minneapolis. At the age of 18 he joined the Air Force and spent 4 years at Malmstrom Air Force Base in Montana. He met Maurine at a local dance, and they dated about a year before they were married and started a family. Mark and Maurine loved the outdoors and they instilled this love to their daughters. Our family spent many weekends boating on the St Croix River in our houseboat, travelling in our motorhome and camping all over the Midwest. Mark was an avid mushroom hunter and a member of the Minnesota Mycological Society. He carried paper bags and a knife in his car and would pull over, jump out, and collect mushrooms on the side of the road. He was a machinist and loved working with his hands. He retired from a long career with the Minneapolis Star n Tribune. Mark and Maurine moved into a cabin on a lake in Richmond, Minnesota. Mark was living the American dream spending his days fishing

from his dock. They loved to travel throughout the United States and Internationally especially visiting Poland where he had relatives. He loved to gamble and visited Las Vegas as often as possible. Mark had an awesome sense of humor and he loved to talk, tell stories and tell jokes. He truly loved to be around people. He was the life of the party. There will be a celebration of Mark's life on June 7, 2023 between 4-7 pm. Location is 4757 Main St NE Fridley, MN 55421.