



Marshall Kenneth Garneau, Jr.

August 10, 1944 - April 3, 2026

Thank you so much for celebrating Marshall Kenneth Drake-Garneau, Jr's life with us.

Born in Oak Park, Illinois, August 10, 1944.

Passed away April 3, 2026.

Moved to Minneapolis with parents in 1948, mother's birthplace-Attended Minneapolis Public Schools- R-12. Graduated from Southwest High-class of 1962, Honors diploma.

He ran track and cross country at Southwest-In cross country, he was part of three teams that won a state title and were runners-up twice. He attended Drake University for the first year of college and earned a freshman letter in cross country.

Transferred back to the state of Minnesota and then did a lot of socializing. Then he went to the Minnesota School of Business for one year, and then attended MCTC, and graduated from Augsburg (1970) with a B.A. in history and certification to teach all social studies. Started teaching in the Minneapolis Public Schools in 1970, where he taught for 34 years, the last seventeen at Patrick Henry High. He did graduate work at the University of Minnesota in the 80's: where he earned an English certification. He retired In June of 2004 and

then subbed in Minneapolis schools after that.

Marshall (Bud) felt a great need all his life to do something fulfilling and give to his fellow human beings. This need came about because, as he said, his parents raised him with social responsibility- He tried to be especially attuned to minorities, particularly black young people, because of the appalling things that had been done to African Americans in our country's history. He felt that his need was satisfied by teaching in Minneapolis schools and immersed himself in all sorts of activities that affected students. He loved his students and wanted to make a difference in as many of their lives as possible. His only disappointment in teaching was behavior issues in the schools, which he felt taxed the teacher and made it so that kids were not learning.

Marshall was an avid Gopher football fan, going to most of their games with his mother. He also followed all other Gopher sports. He was also an avid fan of Minneapolis public school sports and felt that they were very important for young people, and was very disappointed that the Minneapolis school system did not place more emphasis on sports. Marshall loved to travel, and went to Europe, Canada, Mexico, and all over the U.S. Oftentimes, he traveled with his mother and sister. He also loved to read: mysteries, history, newspapers, and magazines. He loved to talk, and his favorite topics were world affairs, history, and politics. He was also working on family trees (to see the history).

Preceded in death by his Grandparents, Mildred and Frank Garneau of Oak Park, Ill., Dr. Charles and Ruth Drake of Minneapolis, his uncle Ted Drake, his aunt Dorothy Donahoo, his father, Marshall Garneau Sr., and his mother, Jayne Drake Garneau.

Survived by his sister Marilyn Garneau, numerous cousins, Dianne Youngdahl Keller, David Donahoo, Eric (Donna) Sisler, Kate Sisler George, Alex, Martha, Miller Drake, and special friends: the Swenson family and Mary Krause

Huguety, Jerry Olson, and Robert Reitmeier.