



Melbourne H. Dahmes

October 11, 2012

Dahmes, Melbourne H. age 93, from Bloomington, MN, passed Oct. 11, 2012. Preceded in death by wife of 46 years, Leona Struebing and sister, Shirley McIntyre. Survived by brother, Roland Dahmes; son, Ronald (Lois); daughters, DiAnne Dahmes (John Peters) and Janean Kelly (Paul); 8 grandchildren (Kelly, Kristin, Michael, Taylir, Ian, Adam, Colin and Tiernan), 7 great-grandchildren, and numerous cousins to whom he was very close. Mel was born in Redwood Falls and started life by farming after graduating high school. An entrepreneur at an early age, he owned 1,000 acres by age of 25. He had at least 11 businesses. Most memorable is the Redwood Turkey Hatchery purchased in 1952 for \$1 with a \$400K debt which he paid off in four years. In 1955, Mel and Leona built their dream home and moved to the cities. There he founded and settled into one business for 39 years - Cedar Van Lines. He loved entrepreneurship and encouraged his children and grandchildren to start businesses helping however he could. Mel was also a Stephen's minister at Peace Reformed Church whose congregation gave even more back to Mel. Visitation 4-7 PM Thurs., Oct. 18, Washburn-McReavy Werness Brothers Chapel, 2300 W. Old Shakopee Road, Bloomington. Funeral Service 11:00 AM Friday, Oct. 19, Peace Reformed Church, 2180 Glory Drive, Eagan with visitation 1 hour before. www.Washburn-McReavy.com Werness Brothers Chapel 952.884.8145 .

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT 18. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Bloomington Chapel
2300 W. Old Shakopee Road
Bloomington, MN 55431
(952) 884-8145
info@washburn-mcreavy.com

Visitation

OCT 19. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Peace Reformed Church
2180 Glory Drive
Eagen, MN 55122

Service

OCT 19. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



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