



Melvin G Hoagland

June 1, 2018

Hoagland, Melvin G. Age 86 of Edina passed away June 1, 2018. Born in St. Bonifacius, MN to the late Ernest and Augusta Hoagland. Survived by wife of 56 years Marge Hoagland; daughters Merri Lynn Jono (Ryusuke) and Laurie Egstad (Eric); 5 grandchildren Abby, Alyssa, and Benjamin Egstad and Alex and Emi Jono; sister Barbara Wagener (Art), nephew Bill Wagener (Nicole). Mel was an Eagle Scout, Troop #216, St. Bonifacius. He was the first Eagle Scout from the troop. Over the years he was a scouting volunteer for 25+ years. He received the Silver Beaver Award and the Outstanding Eagle Scout Award. Over the years, he maintained an interest in his hometown and was one of the founding members of the St. Bonifacius Historical Society. Mel graduated from St. Cloud State Teacher's College in 1953 with a BS Degree. Later he earned an MA Degree and PhD at the University of Minnesota in school administration. Mel spent two years in the U.S. Army after graduation from St. Cloud. He was stationed in Japan. After discharge from the Army, he was hired to teach 6th grade at McKinley School in North Minneapolis. His career in the Minneapolis Public Schools included 6th grade teacher, principal, North Area Superintendent which included all elementary and secondary schools in N.E. Minneapolis. While a classroom teacher, he was active in Local 59 Teacher's Union, elected to be president of Local 59 and also the Minnesota State Federation of Teachers. After retiring from the Minneapolis Public Schools he worked for Group Health, Inc. as Vice President of Human Resources. Continuing his interest in health care and also labor relations, he

took the position of the Director of the Twin Cities Area Labor Management Council (an organization that promoted positive ways of communications between management and their unions). Mel finally retired in 1999 to spend more time with his family, especially his grandchildren. Family trips were taken locally and around the country and in Minnesota. Athletic games and concerts were attended by Marge and Mel. Mel was a kind, generous man who always offered a kind word and helping hand to people. He will be greatly missed.

Mass of Christian Burial 10:30 AM Thursday, June 14 with visitation beginning at 9:30 AM at the Church of Our Lady of Grace, 5051 Eden Ave. S., Edina. Interment Roselawn Cemetery. Memorials preferred to Troop #100, care of Westminster Presbyterian Church, Attn: Dave Moore, 1200 Marquette Ave., Mpls., MN 55403. Washburn-McReavy.com Edina Chapel 952-920-3996

Tribute Wall

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“ We were sorry to learn that Mel had passed away. We are former north Minneapolis teachers and had the highest regard for Mel. He brought wisdom and patience to every situation. He listened - and remembered people and their issues. He was well-informed about educational techniques and the school process - and always fair. We remember him as a charming man who brought his best to the Minneapolis schools.

Don and Kay Anderson Bremer Elementary

Kay - June 13, 2018 at 01:08 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Melvin G Hoagland.



June 12, 2018 at 11:11 AM

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Doug Schuster - June 06, 2018 at 09:02 PM

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“ It makes me so sad to think that Mel is no longer with us. He was my mentor and boss, he was a fellow fisherman and poker player, but most of all he was a good friend. If one were to search for one word that would best describe Mel it would be "gentleman". My life is richer for having known him. My sincere condolences to Mel's family.

Doug

Doug Schuster - June 06, 2018 at 02:53 PM

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“ Greetings, i would like Mel's family to know that he was a wonderful person ..and I learned a lot from knowing him. I write the law column for a national trade publication -- Parcel Magazine. Over the last ten years I have written more than fifty columns, however my personal favorite is one titled "Negotiations: Three Observations of a Transportation Attorney ". The third observation went as follows: "And speaking of listening, the third observation that I would like to share with you is an adage that was related in a meeting by a seasoned schoolteachers' union representative: "Listen to understand, not to respond." In thinking about this afterwards, I realized that in conversations with opposing attorneys I was doing exactly the opposite. In other words, rather than really "listening," I was just waiting my turn to speak so that I could rebut refute everything that he or she had just said. I have come to realize that to get a favorable resolution it takes more than simply to announce one's position to whoever is listening."

I am sure you can guess who was that "seasoned school teachers union representative" So although Mel is no longer with us in his worldly body, his spirit is mostly certainly alive and well. Yours,

Brent Primus - June 05, 2018 at 04:15 PM

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“ I KNEW MEL AS A BOSS AND AS A FRIEND. HE WAS UNIVERSILY RESPECTED BY ALL OF THE MINNEAPOLIS PUBLIC SCHOOLS ADMINISTRATORS HE WAS A HAPPY MEMBER OF OUR FISHING AND POKER GROUP. WE WILL ALWAYS REMEMBER HIM AND MISS HIM. DICK ANDERSON

DICK ANDERSON - June 04, 2018 at 02:18 PM