



Nghia Quang Trinh

December 28, 1944 - June 11, 2026

Nghia Quang Trinh, age 81 of Hopkins, passed away peacefully on June 11, 2026 at Methodist Hospital.

Born in Bac Giang, Vietnam on December 28, 1944, Nghia grew up playing soccer. He joined the South Vietnamese Army and served as a Long Range Scout. Nghia met his wife, Hue, in Cau Tan Thuan, and married in June 1968. The couple had three sons while living in Vietnam. After the Army, Nghia worked for the US Embassy in Saigon as a telecommunications specialist.

Following the Fall of Saigon in 1975, Nghia and his family sought refuge in the United States. They were first evacuated to the island of Guam and eventually arriving at Fort Chaffee in Arkansas, they found sponsorship by Saint Catherine's Catholic Church in Redwood Falls, MN, where they laid down their roots in America. Here, Nghia and Hue welcomed their three youngest children.

The family eventually moved to the Twin Cities area, settling in Mound for many years before making their final home in Hopkins for the past 20 years.

Nghia worked many jobs in construction and manufacturing as a skilled laborer and sacrificed much of his family time by working 2nd shift to provide for them. He enjoyed fishing, watching television and videos, playing

dominoes and cards, and tending with DIY projects and car repairs. He loved to spend time with his family and friends. He shared the thrill of bargain hunt shopping with Hue. He delighted in watching his grandchildren play. Nghia was proud to support his family and only wanted the best for them.

Later in life, Nghia survived major strokes that left him with right-sided hemiplegia . With the assistance of Hue, he continued to persist - still making home improvements, grilling the best chicken wings, and even driving (with modifications) to run errands and go to weekly Mass.

He carried a strong work ethic and determination - was rooted deeply in faith - and lived with courage and love.

Nghia struggled with his health and strength the last few years. He was well tended to and cared for by the staff at the (Ackerman Family) Sholom West facility of St. Louis Park. The family is much appreciative of the quality of care and support their father received.

Nghia was a devout Catholic and dedicated family man.

He is preceded in death by his parents, son Michael John Trinh, and step grandson Jonathon David Sprader.

Nghia is survived by wife of 59 years, Hue; children Lane Trinh, Thomas (Theresa) Trinh, Nick (Margaret) Trinh, Lisa (Adam) Trinh, John (Andrea) Trinh; grandchildren Oliver, Scarlet, Caleb, Ada, Bryn, Emerson, Ryder, Walker and Preston; great grandchild Leon; and many relatives and friends.

A Mass will be held on Monday, June 29, 2026, at 10:00 a.m. at St. Gabriel, 1310 Mainstreet, Hopkins, MN 55343, with visitation one hour prior. Interment will be conducted at St. Margaret Cemetery following lunch.

In place of memorials, the family asks that donations be directed to St. Gabriel Church, in memory of Nghia.

Upcoming Events

Visitation

JUN **29.** 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (CT)

St. Gabriel the Archangel Catholic Church
1310 Mainstreet
Hopkins, MN 55343

Mass of Christian Burial

JUN **29.** 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

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Graveside Service

JUN **29.** 1:00 PM - 1:30 PM (CT)

St. Margaret's Cemetery (Minnetonka)
Bren Rd & Shady Oak Rd
Minnetonka, MN 55343