



Oren Robert Stewart

May 5, 1922 - June 21, 2015

On the morning of June 21, 2015, Father's Day, our beloved father, husband, brother, grandfather, great-grandfather, uncle, and friend Oren passed away peacefully in St. Paul, MN. Oren was 93 years old (and wanted 94). Oren Stewart was born in the town of Comfrey, MN on May 5, 1922. He was the 2nd child to Bertha Klabunde and Sherman Stewart, as their only son alongside 5 daughters. After attending school, he joined a CCC camp where he helped build Gooseberry Falls State Park. As a young man, Oren proudly served our country with the Seabees in the Navy from December 13, 1942 to January 4, 1946. After returning, he married the beautiful Georgene Childs in St. Paul, MN on June 20, 1948. Oren joined his father in the construction business and built his own home and cabin, homes for his children, and dozens of houses and apartment buildings in St. Paul, renting out apartments on the side. Oren never retired, and never wanted to admit he was getting old, to the very end. As he got older, he deepened his passion for woodworking, building everything from his award-winning ducks to jewelry boxes to bedroom sets in the wood shop behind his garage. Oren was proud of everything that came out of his shop. As much as he loved his woodworking, still above that he cherished his family and spending time at the cabin on Lake Amelia in Villard, MN, which was one of the first on the lake. A perfect day to Oren would be sitting on the deck surrounded by family, watching the beautiful lake in front of him. Oren touched the lives of those around him through his well-known sharp, witty, and dry sense of humor. His humor and spirit made him a

very memorable person, and because of this, Oren has made many special friends throughout his life. Oren is survived by his wife of 67 years, Georgene (Jean) L. Childs Stewart; daughters Karey, Janice (Ken), and Annette (Mike); son Bob (Deb); grandchildren Keri (Rich) and 3 sons, Rob, Neil (Sarah), Matthew (Lindsi), Mitchell (Natalie), Katie, Maya; and sisters Florence and Carol. Services for Oren will be public. Processional leaves Thursday, June 25th at 11 am from Holcomb-Henry-Boom-Purcell Funeral Home; 515 W. Hwy 96 at Mackubin, Shoreview, or meet at Ft. Snelling National Cemetery (assembly lane #2) by 12 pm for a brief graveside service. A celebration of Oren's life will be held Thursday, June 25th 4-8 pm at North Oaks Country Club; 54 East Oaks Rd; North Oaks, MN.

Tribute Wall

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“ *I'm so sorry grandpa we never got to know each other. Maybe we can in the next life. Love you .*

Amanda Stewart - August 24, 2015 at 12:00 AM