



## Orlyn Norvel Brethorst

July 11, 1940 - January 8, 2023

Orlyn N. Brethorst

Age 82 of Roseville, MN passed away in January 8th, 2023 at his home in Roseville. Orlyn was born in St. Paul, MN on July 11th, 1940 to parents, Norvel and Fern Brethorst.

Orlyn was a devoted husband to his wife Janice. After retirement, they enjoyed cruising and traveling the world, especially their favorite place - Alaska! Orlyn was also a member of Salem Covenant church for decades and always enjoyed socializing with friends and family.

Orlyn is preceded in death by his loving wife, Janice; parents, Norvel and Fern; and daughter-in-law, Michelle.

His is survived by his children, Brian, Kathy, Kris(Mark); grandchildren, Randy, Christopher, Jory (Matt), Britt, Eric (Alley), Taylor (Kyle), and Brendan; great-grandchildren, Tyler, Maddisyn and William.

Orlyn was deeply loved by his family and friends. He was always ready for a chat, whether friend, family or stranger, with a friendly smile. Orlyn's unconditional love and support for his children and grandchildren will be forever missed. However, we know he is enjoying being back with the love of his life Jan, cruising around heaven!

# Cemetery Details

## Hillside Cemetery (Minneapolis)

2600 19th Ave NE  
Minneapolis, MN 55418

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 20. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Hillside Chapel  
2610 19th Avenue N.E.  
Minneapolis, MN 55418

## Chapel Service

JAN 20. 2:00 PM - 2:45 PM (CT)

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## Graveside Service

JAN 20. 2:45 PM - 3:15 PM (CT)

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## Reception

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JAN 20. 3:15 PM - 4:15 PM (CT)

Washburn-McReavy Hillside Chapel Community Room  
2600 19th Avenue Northeast  
Minneapolis, MN 55418

# Tribute Wall

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“ Dear Orlyns family, Clearly I'm unsure if you will even see this post? I was just looking up his phone number only to find his obituary. I was a server at the Olive Garden for many, many years. Orlyn and I formed a very special relationship and very unique friendship. Note: we met after Janice passed away. He would come in sad looking, hardly would eat. So his meals were not about food but rather company. Yes, I still remember how he liked his food and what he would order. I would always think and I'm pretty sure that I told him out loud that my toddler son ate more than he did. Well, as it turned out it was his dang cancer. I have not seen him in at least a few years. I had my own personal medical journey that caused me to stop working. Our lead host knew him as well and would relay messages to me that he would come in and leave if I wasn't there. He also would call ahead to see if I was working. He would also need a hug upon coming in. He was such a great guy! I knew him well and got to know your family through him. And to his super cool sister.... Is it Star or similar to that? Very great spirited lady! Lastly, one tradition that Orlyn had was to save his wine sample until the end of his meal. He enjoyed the Principato Roscato. The next time I'm in the restaurant I'm definitely having a toast in his honor and memory! With great memories of Orlyn, Cheers and Salute! Bon Voyage my good friend. Rhory

Rhory - June 03, 2024 at 09:18 AM



“ Sweet Tranquility Basket was purchased for the family of Orlyn Norvel Brethorst.



January 19, 2023 at 03:42 PM



“ *Dreams From the Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Orlyn Norvel Brethorst.*



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January 17, 2023 at 02:57 PM



“ *Lily and Rose Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Orlyn Norvel Brethorst.*



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January 16, 2023 at 05:52 PM



“ *Memories??? Making chili and spaghetti for Peace and Light, being scared to look over the cliff up north, making blueberry everything!!! Swedish meatballs, yelling at us to get up for 5am Sunday paper route.. I hated that... donuts after.. I loved that...meeting my dad at Marino's for SOS, did I mention Swedish meatballs? ( they are worthy of a mention again), questioning those large phone bills from Mankato State to St Cloud State, oh.. and the love.. all the love.. the unconditional love of "O" is a forever love. The 4 of them are together again, laughing and loving. O will be missed and forever loved.*

*Love you all, Kendra*

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**Kendra** - January 13, 2023 at 07:48 PM