



Otto William Lausten

August 8, 1937 - October 6, 2021

Otto W. Lausten, lifelong resident of Minneapolis, passed away October 6, 2021. Otto demonstrated a life committed to loving life and those around him. Born August 8, 1937, graduated from Marshall H.S., served in the Army in Okinawa, graduated from Dunwoody Institute, and completed a printing apprenticeship. He quickly built his printing career and became a leader by bringing digital publishing to the industry. In 1971 he started the first 'Electronic Publishing' program at Hennepin Technical College, where he combined his passions for printing, technology, and most of all people. After teaching more than 25 years, he retired and then completed his own Bachelor of Science degree. Otto married Annette Grimme of Johnstown, PA in 1960, settled in Columbia Heights and raised 5 children. He deeply loved his family, demonstrated commitment and integrity, and provided a rich life of outdoor fun and travel. Otto loved puns and silly jokes yet had a sincere presence which left a lasting impression on everyone he met. He embodied the verse "whoever welcomes a child in my name, welcomes me." Though rarely serious, Otto was deeply spiritual and was a steadfast pillar of his church prayer group. Survived by dedicated wife Annette, children Annette Batycki (Len), Becky Hsu (Felix), Daniel Lausten (Toni), Connie Lausten (David Horne), Mark Lausten (Darya Nabavian), sister Mary Taylor (Ron), sister-in-law Barbara Grimme and 10 grandchildren. Preceded in death by parents Otto and Margaret Lausten, and sister Bette Zieska (Ken). Visitation 4:30-7PM Wednesday, Oct. 20, 2021 at Washburn-McReavy Columbia Heights Chapel,

4101 Central Ave. NE, and also one hour prior to the Mass at church. Mass of Christian Burial 11AM Thursday, Oct. 21, 2021 at Church of the Immaculate Conception, 4030 Jackson St. NE, Columbia Heights. Interment Hillside Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation to the Alzheimer's Assoc.: http://act.alz.org/goto/Otto_Laustens_Alzheimers_Association_Tribute_Fund , Immaculate Conception Church or School of Columbia Heights: <https://icconline.weshareonline.org/MemorialGifts> or to a charity of your choice.

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **20**. 4:30 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Columbia Heights Chapel
4101 Central Ave NE
Columbia Heights, MN 55421
(763) 789-4436
info@washburn-mcreavy.com

Visitation

OCT **21**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Immaculate Conception Catholic Church (Columbia Heights)
4030 Jackson St N.E.
Columbia Heights, MN 55103

Mass of Christian Burial

OCT **21**. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

Immaculate Conception Catholic Church (Columbia Heights)
4030 Jackson St N.E.
Columbia Heights, MN 55103

Tribute Wall



“ *Rainbow Of Remembrance Spray was purchased for the family of Otto William Lausten.*



October 15, 2021 at 08:50 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Otto William Lausten.*

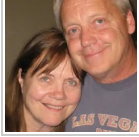


October 14, 2021 at 08:19 PM



“ *I was a student of Otto's at Hennepin Technical College. I along with 13 other students were the first class to graduate under Otto. He was a major influence on my career with his knowledge of the Printing industry. Along with his wit and charm he educated us all in the trade but also in life. I later received my apprenticeship at the Type House where Otto worked prior to teaching at HTC. He was a gentleman and a gentle man. Prayers to the family.*

Rick Kline (Class of '74 HTC) - October 14, 2021 at 03:19 PM



“ *My thoughts and prayers are with Otto, Ann, and their family, Otto, was one of my first mentors at Hennepin Technical College, and I've appreciated all the words of wisdom (and some of the jokes) I learned from Otto. This world is sadder because Otto is gone.*



Elaine Inhofer Wenci McManigle - October 14, 2021 at 02:57 PM