



## Philip Allen Larson

September 4, 1926 - April 5, 2023

Larson, Philip (Phil) Allen 96, of Edina, passed away peacefully on April 5, 2023. He was born on September 4, 1926, to Philip T. and Minne Larson in Braham, MN. He graduated from Braham High School and enlisted in the Navy. He returned to MN and earned his B.A. Degree from the U of M Business School and became a "Life Loyal SIG". He worked at NW National Life Ins. Company, (now Voya) and retired after 38 years as Executive Vice President and CLU. He met his wife, Jo Hemquist in 1949, and they were married on May 4, 1952, celebrating 70 great years together. They settled in Edina and joined Mt. Olivet Lutheran Church and raised 4 children. Phil served on the church council, he was past president of Mpls. Rotary #9, chairman of Mpls. AAA, served on the board of the Red Cross and many other community functions. They were members of Minikahda Country Club for many years enjoying golf and tennis. Retirement brought Phil and Jo to Palm Desert, CA wintering and becoming part of the community there. Phil was preceded in death by his daughter, Janna LaFontaine and her son, Dan. Survived by his wife, Jo, son, Brad (Patty), daughter, Bethany (Larry S.) Collins, son, Baird (Hilda), 6 grandchildren, Betsy (Dave), Megan (Shawn), Abby (Ryan), Joe LaFontaine, Bo LaFontaine and Zachary Larson, 6 great-grandchildren, Sabryn, Caleb, Sean Ryan, Halle and Lucy, sister, Mary Beth Wold and son-in-law, Michael LaFontaine. In lieu of flowers, memorials are preferred to Mount Olivet Cathedral of the Pines Camp. Celebration of Life Friday, April 14, 2023 at 11 a.m. with visitation one hour prior at Mt. Olivet

Lutheran Church, 5025 Knox Ave South, Minneapolis. Private interment at Rice Lake Lutheran Cemetery, Braham, MN. Washburn-McReavy.com Edina Chapel 952-920-3996

Streaming link:

<https://mtolivet.org/livestream/>

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR 14. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Mount Olivet Lutheran Church (So. Mpls)  
5025 Knox Avenue South  
Minneapolis, MN 55419

## Church Service

APR 14. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

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