



Phillip Edward McManus

January 5, 1925 - July 23, 2015

McManus, Phillip Edward Age 90, formerly of Crystal. Born Jan. 5, 1925, in Casselton, ND, to Edward Philip & Ernestine Catherine (Schober) McManus. Died July 23 in Brooklyn Park after a very long road with Alzheimer's Disease. Preceded in death by wife of 47 years. Mary Katherine "Kate"(Smith); siblings, Agnes Ford, Angie Austin, Anne McManus, Harold, Gertrude Priebe, Lyle, Phyllis Klein, and Jim. Also preceded in death by wife of 14 years, Mary Jane (Kasid). Attended Sacred Heart Academy in Fargo three years and graduated from Casselton High School in 1943. He went on to the University of Minnesota Institute of Technology. U.S. Navy V-12 Aeronautical Engineering Program and received his B.S. in Naval Technology in 1946. While at the U of M, he played football for the Gophers. Phil completed his service in the Navy with one year at the .S. Naval Station in Coco Solo, Panama, in 1947. He returned to college at St. John's University and received his BA in Mathematics in 1948. He played football for the Johnnies. He continued his education with Masters Degree coursework at St. Thomas. Phil's career started at Maple Lake High School as a math teacher, athletic director, and head coach of the football, basketball, and baseball teams (1948-1953. He met Kate in Maple Lake and they were married in 1949. Phil went on to work at Honeywell, in Minneapolis for two years, but decided to go back to teaching, this time at Mounds View High School (1955-1985). He taught math, and was assistant football, basketball, and baseball coach. He was also a high school and college referee for football and basketball. After retiring from

MVHS, he taught part-time at Totino-Grace High School for two years. He was a volunteer tax preparer for 14 years. Our dad taught us well throughout our lives, and we have the greatest respect and gratitude for him. We will forever look up to him and hold his memory dear in our hearts. Survived by daughters, Mary (Frank) Stulock, Michele (Paul) O'Neill, Maureen (Jeff) Brenk, Susan (Steve) Vnoucek; grandchildren, Julia (Bruce) Danielson, Joe (Katie) Stulock, Kristin (Andy) Brandl, Mike (JoAnn) Brenk, Rachel (Mike) Doran, Jim Brenk; great-grandchildren, Anna Kate, Ryan, & Lainey Brandl, Katie & Lucy Brenk, Veronica Doran; brothers, Pat (Sonia), and Tom (Shirley) McManus; sisters and brothers-in-law, Dorothy Jorgensen, Sally & Dan Reinert, Rich & Eloise Smith. Thank you to the staff of St. Therese at Oxbow Lake for their compassionate care of our father. Visitation at Washburn-McReavy, 5125 West Broadway, Crystal from 3-6 PM on Sunday July 26 (TODAY). Mass of Christian Burial at the Church of St. Raphael, 7301 Bass Lake Road, Crystal at 11 am with visitation 1 hour prior on Monday July 27. Interment at Glen Haven Memorial Gardens, Crystal, Memorials preferred to Alzheimer's Assoc of MN, Presentation Sisters of Fargo, or St. Therese Foundation.

"Tempus Fugit"

Tribute Wall

DK

“ I'm so sorry this is so late. I do and always will rememer Phil. Mr. Macmanus was my math teacher and assistant coach at Mounds View High School in the mid 1960's. He was my favoroite math teacher and a really good coach. I ran into him at a couple slowpitch softball tournaments years later. He remeberbed me. He will be missed until we are together again. Dennis Keating

Dennis Keating - July 20, 2025 at 07:48 AM

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“ Phil was my sophomore football and basketball coach. He caught me imitating him one time. He made me a better person. I called him and would ask him referee questions. I considered him my friend. Sam Perkins MVHS 1976

sam perkins - July 29, 2015 at 08:02 PM

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“ McManus Family - I know that it was difficult to watch Phil as he slipped away and am grateful that SusieQ and Mary were with him for his final breaths. He had to be an amazing father - just look at the daughters he raised.

Vickie - July 26, 2015 at 01:03 PM

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“ Dear cousins and family. I'm so sorry to hear about Uncle Phil. Please know that you'll be in my prayers as you journey through this sad and difficult time. Much love and peace to all of you as you grieve. Kevin Smith

Kevin Smith - July 25, 2015 at 05:24 PM