



Ralph Lindy Johnson

August 31, 1927 - April 10, 2024

RALPH "LINDY" JOHNSON

Ralph "Lindy" Johnson was born on August 31, 1927 and passed away peacefully into the loving arms of Jesus on April 10, 2024 at the young age of 96. In his last days in hospice, he was surrounded by family and friends, singing his favorite hymns recounting many memories. He's preceded in death by grandson Jeremy and wife Margaret.

Ralph enlisted in the Army in 1946 at 19 years old. He was proud to serve his country as a Photostat Operator until 1948. He was awarded the WWII Victory Medal and Army of Occupation Medal. Once he was discharged, he married the love of his life, Margaret Holmgren; they were both 21 years old. Ralph and Margaret were married for 68 years, had son David and daughter Diane, and became grandparents to six grandchildren, and eight great-grandchildren.

It was fishing opener, May 15, 1948 and they honeymooned at Little Yellow Lake in WI. Little did they know years later they would own a family cabin there and spend many hours teaching all their grandkids their love of fishing and boating. The cabin became the hangout for their kids and friends to water ski and tube behind the boat.

Ralph was hard-working with an entrepreneurial spirit that led to many

different jobs over the years. He worked for the City of Minneapolis as a cement truck driver, then for the Sunshine Bisquit Company delivering cookies and crackers; he also worked at Cargill, Belew Furniture Company, and had an egg business. He later continued driving trucks for the Minneapolis Star Tribune and then finished his career at the Post Office after 30 years of service, retiring at the age of 60.

Ralph loved gardening, baking, fishing, hunting, 4-wheeling, and cabin life. He loved dogs and made friends with many over the years. He loved antique cars, new cars, and everything in between. He had an adventurous spirit and took many road trips because he loved to drive! One of his favorite road trips was to Alaska where he drove over 3,000 miles to the coast with Margaret in a white Cadillac.

Most of all, Ralph loved God and loved people. Throughout their lives, he and Margaret served in the church in their humble and kind ways. They loved to open their home for Bible Studies and staying connected to young people.

Ralph's kind and generous heart and passion to serve others will be remembered by all those who knew him. He will be loved and greatly missed.

Ralph is survived by his sister Patsy (Colin), his children, David (Mary), Diane (Mark); five grandchildren, Derek (Carrie), Josh (Cece), Emily, Ben (Nikki), and Ryan (Gretchen); and eight great grandchildren, Rose, Lily, Jake, Saydee, Avarey, Melany, Maddie and Evelyn.

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 14. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Minnesota Veterans Home Chapel
5101 Minnehaha Avenue South
Minneapolis, MN 55417

Memorial Service

APR 14. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (CT)

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