



Reverend Doctor Randall Keith Taber

December 17, 1952 - September 19, 2025

Randall Keith Taber, age 72, was born in December 1952 the eldest son of Delbert and Marlene Taber, and grew up on the family farm with younger brothers Tim and Terry. He spent his first 17 years in Eagle Bend, MN participating in track and football and high school activities. He loved his friends from his youth and many of those friendships stayed with him for the entirety of his life. He enjoyed organizing yearly reunions with his schoolmates from Eagle Bend, and occasionally attended reunions at the University of MN Morris where he continued after graduation. It was during his college years that he felt called to the ministry. He was very proud of the completion of his degree in 3 years to save money and more quickly begin his studies at United Theological Seminary in New Brighton, MN. It was there that he met his love and partner in life Kristine Hassel. They had an instant connection and were married in August 1975. In 1980 they welcomed their first daughter Joy, 1982 their second daughter Hope, and in 1989 their first son Christian. Randy completed his doctorate in psychology in 1984 and he was very proud of that accomplishment. He was a young pastor for Bertha/Hewitt/Wrightstown 2 years, Asbury youth pastor 1 year, Deer River/Big Falls 10 years, Staples 10 years, Robbinsdale 28 years until his reunion with the Lord. Throughout the years he would drive back to Eagle Bend almost weekly to continue farming while preaching God's Word as well as spend time with family that he treasured. In 1987 he began serving as a chaplain for the 148th Fighter Wing Squadron in Duluth, MN and did so for 20 years which he loved, retiring as Lt

Col. After retirement from the military, he enjoyed activities with the Osseo/Maple Grove Legion Riders and did yearly Blessing of the Bikes at Olivet Church Robbinsdale.

Randy was a unique man with lifelong interests such as tractors, cars, motorcycles, and the military. Loved America themed hats and shirts, finding a good deal, and spending time with family and friends reminiscing. Most of all he treasured his Lord, family, and country.

We all celebrate his new heavenly body though he will be greatly missed. He was an amazing and loving husband, dad, grandpa, and friend. Few grandpas could ever compete with the example and quality of grandpa that he was. He was a loyal and passionate follower of Christ and Biblical truths. He loved conversing with all he came into contact with and enjoyed spreading God's love.

Randy passed peacefully surrounded by his wife and 3 children Friday, September 19th. He is now with the Lord and Savior Jesus Christ and we mourn for ourselves but rejoice for him. He now joins the loving company of his father Delbert, mother Marlene, son Laine, grandparents, cousins, and friends.

He leaves behind his loving wife Kris; children Joy, Hope, Christian; sons-in-laws Ryan and Dan; grandchildren Gabe, Mike, Delainey, Elsie, Teddy; pets Buddy, Gracie, & Bane.

"Well done thou good and faithful servant"

Private Interment Fort Snelling National Cemetery

Memorial Service Friday 10/3 at 11:00am with visitation 1 hour prior and luncheon to follow at Washburn-McReavy Glen Haven Chapel 5125 West Broadway Crystal, MN 55429

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT 3. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Glen Haven Chapel
5125 West Broadway
Crystal, MN 55429

Memorial Service

OCT 3. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

Glen Haven Chapel
5125 West Broadway
Crystal, MN 55429

Reception

OCT 3. 12:00 PM - 3:00 PM (CT)

Glen Haven Chapel
5125 West Broadway
Crystal, MN 55429

Tribute Wall



“ *Dorothy Voge lit a candle in memory of Reverend Doctor Randall Keith Taber*



Dorothy Voge - October 04, 2025 at 11:05 AM



we went to his Church in Robbinsdale and he did my Husbands funeral service at Sunset funeral home he was a very caring person and he preached in Bertha Mn. also

Dorothy Voge - October 04, 2025 at 11:08 AM



“ *Dreams From the Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Reverend Doctor Randall Keith Taber.*



October 02, 2025 at 12:33 PM



“ *A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Reverend Doctor Randall Keith Taber.*

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October 02, 2025 at 10:23 AM



“ 148th Weapons Family purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Reverend Doctor Randall Keith Taber.



148th Weapons Family - October 02, 2025 at 09:36 AM



“ Eric Wick and Chloe Danielson purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Reverend Doctor Randall Keith Taber.



Eric Wick and Chloe Danielson - October 01, 2025 at 12:06 PM



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RS

“ I am so sorry for your loss but GODS gain. My family knew and cherished your family while we were All in Staples. Pastor Randy has,was, and always be whom I compare others too. Pastor Randy guided me through part of my journey as a Christian, My Pastor and my Friend. God be with you Kris, Joy, Hope, and Christian.
Randy Schwartz and family

Randy Schwartz - September 28, 2025 at 01:00 AM

MJ

“ LTC Taber always had a great story to tell when he would accompany the medical group to its various duty sites. I will never forget when he asked MSgt D. to sing a solo at the next church service which still brings a lot of laughs after all these years. He will be greatly missed.

Mark Johnson - September 27, 2025 at 08:33 PM

RI

“ So sorry to hear of my Christain brother's passing. My condolences to the family.

*Rev. Clint Firstbrook III
St. James, Minnesota*

Rev. Clinton Firstbrook III - September 25, 2025 at 12:07 PM

HO

“ Our dad was like no other person I have ever met. He was truly unique but in a very good way:) He was fun, curious, smart, highly social, silly, cuddly, warm, memorable, kind, comforting, and so much more. He always tried to show support and pride for his children and grandchildren in whatever they did. He wasn't afraid to tell people they were loved and appreciated. He always wanted to be around friends and family for "fellowship" and create more memories together. He lived as a good example of Christ's love and grace. He was a patient teacher and a gentle heart. He leaves a high bar for us all to strive for but it is for the best that we try.

Thank you, Dad.

We all love you and are grateful for the blessing of calling you Dad and Grandpa.

Love,

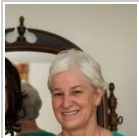
Hope Dan Gabe Mike Delainey

Hope - September 24, 2025 at 09:18 PM

JC

“ Randy used to remind me that my Dad (Harold Clark) confirmed him at Eagle Bend UMC. Years later I also served Eagle Bend plus 6 other little churches in the area. Cherish your memories of Randy. He will be greatly missed by family and friends. Judith Clark

Judith A Clark - September 24, 2025 at 06:16 PM



“ So sorry to learn of Randy's passing Kris. I had not heard that he had health issues... He would phone me every once in a while & we would catch up... Kathy Schuler (Arnold)

Kathy Schuler - September 24, 2025 at 04:59 PM