



Rev. Kenneth H. Granquist

November 15, 1924 - January 27, 2012

Age 87, of Roseville Passed away Friday, January 27, 2012, at his home. Survived by his loving wife of 57 years, Carolynn Olson Granquist; their three children, Mark (Kathy) of Northfield, Bruce (Ketut) of Bali, Indonesia, Kristin (Steve) Teipel of St. Paul; grandchildren Elisabeth, Robert, Natalia, and Madeline; brother Richard (Connie) of Columbia Heights, and sister Harriet (Pierre) Mattei of Grand Rapids; brother- and sister-in-law Alan and Kay Olson of Anchorage, Alaska, and by many cousins, nieces, and nephews. He was born November 15, 1924 in Duluth, to Lillie (Carlson) and Harold Granquist, and grew up in that city. During World War II he entered the Naval V-12 program in Aeronautical Engineering at the University of Minnesota; he graduated with a B. Aero E., and was commissioned as an officer in the United States Navy. After the war he attended Gustavus Adolphus College for a year, and then attended Augustana Theological Seminary in Rock Island, Illinois. He graduated in 1952 and was ordained into the Lutheran ministry. He married Carolynn Olson in Elkhart, Indiana, on November 27, 1954. Ken served congregations in East Hartford, Connecticut and Waukegan, Illinois, and then as Assistant to the President of the Central Conference of the Augustana Lutheran Church. He then led congregations in Grand Rapids, Michigan, DeKalb and Mount Prospect, Illinois, before moving back to Minnesota to a call to Messiah Lutheran in Minneapolis. After his retirement in 1988, he served for 10 years as Visitation Pastor at Como Park Lutheran, St. Paul. He was a faithful and dedicated pastor who touched the lives of many,

and inspired a number of men and women to enter the ministry themselves. He earned the degree of Doctor of Ministry from the Lutheran School of Theology in Chicago in 1979, and served on the Board of Directors at LSTC, and at Augustana College, Rock Island, Illinois. He was a devoted and loving husband and father, concerned with the needs of his family, and proud of their accomplishments. Ken loved to travel, and he and Carolynn led many tours to places around the world, and enjoyed vacationing in Hawaii. He loved photography and in his retirement helped to administer their townhouse association. He was a good Christian man who loved God and God's people, and sought to serve his Creator as best he could, and we entrust him to the care of his Lord. Visitation will be 4-7 pm, Tuesday, January 31, at Holcomb-Henry-Boom-Purcell Funeral Home, 515 W. Hwy 96 at Mackubin, Shoreview, and at 1 pm at the Church prior to the funeral. His service will be held at 2 pm Wednesday, February 1, 2012, at Incarnation Lutheran Church, Shoreview. In lieu of flowers, donations are requested for the Center for Changing Lives, Messiah Lutheran Church.

Tribute Wall

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“Carolynn,

So sorry to hear about Ken's passing. What a wonderful man he was, devoting his life to you, his children and his Church. May he rest in peace and enjoy everlasting life with the God he worshiped and adored. May you find strength in your faith, knowing that God will continually bless you with his peace.

I remember so well the time you opened your home for me to make it possible to visit Brianne at St. Olaf's as well as visiting you with Mike and Arlynn on several occasions.

My thoughts and prayers are with you during this time of grieving.

Elaine Ouellette - January 31, 2012 at 12:00 AM

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“Kristin, Steve & Maddie -

*I am so sorry to hear of your loss!
Please know that you are in our thoughts and prayers.
May you find peace in the next couple of days as you journey
through this difficult time.
Ellen Whitted and Elizabeth & Rachel Chaney*

Ellen Whitted - January 30, 2012 at 12:00 AM