



Richard Cleveland

May 8, 2011

Cleveland, Richard T. Age 73, beloved husband, father, and friend, of Chanhassen, MN, formerly of Wayzata, MN, passed away peacefully surrounded by his loving family on March 21, 2011. He was preceded in death by his parents, Donald and Elizabeth Cleveland; brothers, Donald and George Cleveland; and sister, Eleanor Howe. Richard is survived by and will be dearly missed by his loving and devoted wife of 32 years, Janet; daughters, Cathy Gingras (Simon), Nancy Karjala (Wade), Jennifer Cleveland; son, Michael Cleveland; and grandsons, Taylor and Jordan Karjala. Richard is also survived by sisters, Elizabeth Telford (John) and Judith Gluek (Robert); many nieces, nephews, other relatives, and friends. Richard was born in Minneapolis to Donald and Elizabeth Cleveland and was the youngest of 6 children. He grew up in Wayzata and attended the Blake School and Wayzata High School. After graduating from the Minnesota School of Business, Richard began his career in banking at The Wayzata Bank and then NW National Bank. From there he went to Travelers Express working in Accounting/Mergers and Acquisitions. While working there he achieved a personal goal of earning his B.A. in Business Finance; which led him to fulfill his lifelong dream of managing his own business. Richard was President of Hamco Data Products for 17 years and was well respected in the business community. He was a loving, devoted husband and father who valued his family and the time they spent together. Richard was also a hardworking and dedicated businessman. In his spare time, because of his immense love of the great outdoors, you could find him

gardening, fishing, and enthusiastically duck hunting. He also had a passionate appreciation for jazz music and always enjoyed a good hand of gin rummy. Richard will be fondly remembered for his warm smile, hearty laugh, and the friendly greeting he offered to everyone he met. He possessed a unique style of story-telling and would share his stories with anyone who would listen. He had a story to fit every occasion and was rarely at a loss for words. Richard had an enormous impact on those around him, and in turn will be remembered and missed by all who knew him. He will forever be in our hearts. A Celebration of Richard's Life will be held on Friday, May 20, at 2 PM at the Wayzata Community Church, 125 Wayzata Boulevard East, Wayzata, (952) 473-8877, with visitation one hour prior to the service. Following the service, family and friends are invited to gather to share their memories. The family would like to thank the doctors and nurses at Methodist Hospital, particularly those in the Emergency Department, The Neurology Department, the ICU, and for the kind and loving Hospice Care that Richard received. Cremation services provided by Washburn-McReavy, Eden Prairie Chapel.