



## Roger C. Berglund

July 21, 1925 - March 15, 2021

Berglund, Roger C. "Bogie" age 95, of Minneapolis, on March 15, 2021. Born July 21, 1925, in his beloved Northeast Minneapolis, he attended Pillsbury Grade School, was crowned the 14-year-old City Horseshoe Champion, and was a Hall of Fame football and basketball player at Edison High. Graduating in 1943, he was invited to meet with Dr. George Hauser to discuss playing football for the then-powerhouse University of Minnesota Golden Gophers but, electing to serve his country instead, enlisted in the U.S. Navy at age 17. He served for three years during WWII, much of it in Guam. Returning to the States in 1946, he attended/graduated from Hamline University and married childhood sweetheart Doris Anderson in 1948. They were married for 72 years, during which they raised four children and a large cloud of dust. He taught high school math, science, and P.E. and coached basketball, football, and baseball in Pine Island, MN, had a 34-year career with Northern States Power in Minneapolis, and also taught classes at several area colleges. Retiring in 1987, he and Doris traveled the country and world, visiting family and friends and taking in sights, including all U.S. national parks (a life-long goal). He was an amazing husband, father, grandfather, and great-grandfather who lived for his family and also loved "up north", the outdoors, snowshoeing, fishing, tennis, golf, wood carving, furniture restoration, dumb jokes, and coffee at any temperature. He is survived by wife Doris, children Teri (Sue Sjeklocha), Sandy (Ed Kokkila and his daughter Kristin; granddaughter Annie [Nick Blyth; great-grandchildren Roger and George]), Mike (Karen;

granddaughter Jaime (Christian Huseby), and Jeff (Shaunna; granddaughters Samantha, Hannah, and Emily [Ben Uhlenbruck]), and numerous loving relatives and friends. He was preceded in death by his parents Albert and Vera, brother Donald, and sister Nancy. Sincere gratitude is expressed to North Memorial Hospice and Faina for their exceptional care. A private service and burial was held on March 19, 2021. In lieu of flowers, donations to Ralph Reeder Food Shelf or Salem Covenant Church are suggested. Washburn-McReavy.com Northeast Chapel 612-781-6828

# Tribute Wall

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“ *Doris and Family,  
Very sorry to hear of Roger's passing on March 15. Many of us are fortunate enough to remember Roger as a fine person and coach at Pine Island High School and are lucky to have had that relationship for the brief few years while we were in school. I remember Roger as a kind but no nonsense person, very respected by students. A fine role model for his athletes and students. Our prayers and condolences to you. He would want his Wife and Family to be Bergland Strong.  
Larry and Sandra Thomforde*

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**Lawrence Lowell Thomforde** - March 21, 2021 at 09:55 PM

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“ *So sorry to read of Roger's passing. Even though he lived a very long and full life, it's still so hard when they're gone. Doris and Bogie were such dear friends to my parents, John and Joyce Benson. Sending lots of love and comfort to all of you.*

*Janet and Danny Shockley*

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**Janet Shockley** - March 21, 2021 at 08:13 PM