



Roger Willard Challman

May 31, 1932 - January 19, 2024

Challman, Roger W., age 91, lifelong resident of Minneapolis and south suburbs, died 1/19/24.

We celebrate the life of this quietly faithful, generous man of integrity.

Rog is survived by his daughter, Laurie (Joel) Rude, grandchildren Cortney (Chris) Wall, Tierney (Peter) Frost, Caleb Rude; great grandchildren Samuel Wall, Eli and Kira Frost; nieces and nephews; Joe and the 4th floor friends at Havenwood; and a host of those whose days he brightened.

Preceded in death by his wife Janice Challman (married 55 years), parents Willard and Edith Challman, his sister Elisabeth (Donald) Robertson.

He attended Bancroft Elementary (and participated in their wonderful Bridging Ages program for a couple of years), Folwell Jr. Hi, Roosevelt High School, Macalester College and The U of M.

A member of the Minnesota CPA society, he worked as a CPA in his early years, and took over the three generation family business, Challman & CO. Steel Fabricators for 25 years. He partnered with his friend Larry Hauge in many business ventures. He then joined Waldman House Press/ Tristan Publishing as a controller for the next 22 years, enjoying the camaraderie and adventures of several staff sailing trips.

He requested that in lieu of flowers or a grand service, that relatives and friends spend a little time doing something kind or helpful that they have put off. Memorials may go to the Minnesota Zoo, which has provided our family with great memories for three generations.

A memorial service for family and friends will be held on Friday, March 15th at 1:30 p.m. at Faith Covenant Church, 12921 Nicollet Ave, Burnsville, MN.

Tribute Wall

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“ We were so lucky to get to know Roger and spend mornings with him. He was always so kind and caring to our entire staff and a bright spot in our day. He will be missed.
-The Staff at Jensen's Cafe

Colleen O'Hagan - March 05, 2024 at 10:07 AM

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Thank you so much!

Laurie Rude - March 16, 2024 at 08:17 AM

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“ Roger was one of my favorite people! He has been part of our family for years. We continued to have lunch together throughout the years. Roger will be missed. Our thoughts and prayers are with you. Love, Kris (Hauge) Greife.

Kristine Karen Greife - January 21, 2024 at 10:50 AM

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Thank you so much... the Hauge legacy reached to my dad and beyond.

Laurel Rude - March 16, 2024 at 08:16 AM