



Roger Burr Kirchner

March 31, 2015

Kirchner, Roger Burr of Wayzata, Minnesota, on March 31, 2015. He was born November 9, 1936, in Minneapolis, the son of Gladys Burr and Ernst Kirchner, and spent the summers of his youth on Lake Minnetonka. He graduated from Edina Morningside High School in 1954 and Carleton College in 1958. He was awarded a National Science Foundation fellowship for his study in mathematics at Harvard University (PhD '63). He returned to Northfield in 1962 and taught math and computer science at Carleton until retiring in 2000. He was a pioneer in the field of computer graphics. Surviving him are his wife, Kay Komp; four children from his first marriage, Lucinda Wells and her children Ian, Simon, and William; Jane West and her children Chloe and Rachel; Ernst Karel (Helen Mirra); Carol (Jason) Franklin and her children Zoe and Hazel; great-grandchildren Kylee and Travis; step-children Karilyn (Steven) Jons and her children Carolyn and William; William (Marjorie) Komp and his children Hunter and Catherine. He is also survived by his brother Douglas (Kathy) Kirchner, sister Beverly (Edward) Fink, and nieces and nephews David, Daniel, James, Roxanne, and Christopher. Roger was a kind, soft-spoken man who loved his family dearly. He enjoyed golf, sailing, and taking his family for rides on his Boston Whaler. Funeral service will be held on April 10, 2015 at the Messiah United Methodist Church, Plymouth, MN, at 11:00 am, with visitation at 10:00 am. Memorials may be made to Messiah United Methodist Church or Carleton College. www.Washburn-McReavy.com
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