



## Ronald Louis Pederson

January 17, 1936 - January 19, 2021

Pederson, Ron On Tuesday, January 19, 2021, Ronald Louis Pederson, loving husband and father of three children, passed away at age 85. Ron was born on January 17, 1936 in Duluth, MN to Paul Garfield Pederson and Mildred Mathilda Julien. He graduated from Duluth East High School in 1954 and was employed in the following years by the Pioneer Steamship Company, Wahls Department Store, DM & IR Railway Co and Ojibway Press, Inc. During this time he also served in the Air National Guard, 148th Fighter Group, Duluth MN, and was awarded a Commendation Ribbon for meritorious achievement. On September 29, 1962, Ron married the love of his life, Joanne Evelyn Lundsten, in Duluth, MN. In 1965, he received his Bachelor of Arts in Business with a Minor in Psychology from the University of Minnesota. Following graduation, he worked at Honeywell, Inc. in Minneapolis and also Annapolis, MD as a Human Resources business leader until his retirement in 1995. In 2002, Ron, Joanne and Linda relocated to Naples, FL to enjoy warmer weather and year-round outdoor activities. While in Naples, Ron committed his time to St. Matthew's House, a Christian rehabilitation center, as a member of the board of directors. He was devoted to the organization and continually moved to see people's lives changed. Ron deeply loved people and he exemplified integrity, selflessness and his Christian faith in his life. As a loyal husband and devoted father, he often sacrificed his own interests to care for others in the family. He cherished his grandchildren, Anna and Jacob, who brought joy to his life. He loved them so much that he

returned with Joanne and Linda to Minnesota in 2014 to be more closely involved in their lives. Ron developed many close friendships and loved to joke and laugh with friends. He possessed a special appreciation for music, enjoying classic hymns and participating in many church chorales. He was also an avid Gopher football fan and loved playing golf with family and friends. Ron was preceded in death by his father, Paul and his mother, Mildred. He is survived by his wife Joanne, his three children, Linda, Julie (and Scott) Folstad, and Greg (and Jennifer), his sister Nancy Schwartz, his granddaughter Anna, grandson Jacob and many cousins, nieces and nephews. A memorial service will be held on Friday, February 19th at Wooddale Church in Eden Prairie at 11AM, and also live-streamed for all others to participate. A burial is being planned for late spring at the Park Hill Cemetery in Duluth, MN. In lieu of gifts, we encourage memorial donations to be made to the St. Matthews House ([stmatthewshouse.org](http://stmatthewshouse.org)) in loving memory of Ron. Washburn-McReavy.com Eden Prairie Chapel 952-975-0400

# Cemetery Details

## Park Hill Cemetery

2500 Vermilion Road  
Duluth, MN 55803

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB 19. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Wooddale Church  
6630 Shady Oak Road  
Eden Prairie, MN 55344

## Church Service

FEB 19. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

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6630 Shady Oak Road  
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# Tribute Wall



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of *Ronald Louis Pederson*.



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February 10, 2021 at 11:25 AM