



Russell Mattson

June 28, 2012

Mattson, Russell Lawrence, Jr. age 76, of Richfield, MN died on Sunday, June 24, 2012 of a sudden heart attack while he was gardening. He was preceded in death by his father, Russell Mattson Sr.; his mother, Clarice Cochran Mattson; and his lifelong friends, John Gannaway and Guy "Buzz" Grove. He is survived by his wife, Sharon Northway Mattson; son, Steve; daughter, Laura (Al) Wadzinski; grandson, Lucius; and sisters, Norma Williams, Karen Gastineau and Sonia Cairns. Russ worked for over 50 years as an employee benefit consultant. In recent years his area of professional focus was helping retirees navigate the Medicare system. Along with his sisters and their families, he steered the appropriation of funds from the Clarice Mattson Environmental Fund, established by his mother for the benefit of threatened ecosystems. Russ's participation in, and contribution to life was unparalleled. He was a past president of the Minnesota Triumphs Sports Car Club and past president of the Hobey Baker Memorial Award Committee. He valued hard work and honoring commitments. He loved to landscape and we feel blessed that he died doing something he loved. "Russ, you were generous, strong and inspirational. You were loved so much, by so many, and you will be missed always." Visitation 4-7 PM Friday, June 29 at Washburn-McReavy Edina Chapel, W. 50th St. & Vernon Ave at Hwy. 100. Funeral service 10:30 AM Saturday, June 30, Plymouth Congregational Church, 1900 Nicollet Ave., Mpls., MN. Russ was a Veteran of the Marine Corps and will be buried at Fort Snelling National Cemetery with Military Honors. If you would like to

remember Russ through a memorial contribution, please make a donation to Swan City Heritage Foundation, a park that provides food that sustains and grows the Trumpeter Swan population on the banks of the Mississippi River in Monticello or charity of your choice. www.Washburn-McReavy.com Edina Chapel 952-920-3996