



Sagar V. Krupa

October 11, 1940 - May 12, 2014

Professor Emeritus and Research Scientist Age 73 of Shoreview, died May 12, 2014. Survived by his wife of 46 years, Nancy; brothers, Ramchandran V. and Nagarajan V.; niece, Samantha (Sanjay); great-nephew, Nikhil; many other family members; and faithful cat companion, Betsy. Sagar graduated from HS and college in his native India. While studying at the U of WI, Madison, he met his wife, Nancy and also became an avid Packer fan during the Lombardi Era. He earned his PhD. at the U of Uppsala, Sweden and continued on to earn their highest degree of Docent. He taught and did research at the U of MN for 35 years and was appointed Professor Emeritus in 2009 after which he continued his work as a private consultant. His research was directed to coupling air pollution and climate change to food production and conserving natural resources. He taught many summers in Mexico at the post graduate agricultural colleges, arranged by valued colleagues, Profesora Maria de Lourdes de la Isla de Bauer and Profesor Santiago Sanchez Preciado. Sagar published some 150 scientific articles and 11 books and was the chief editor of the Elsevier book series "Developments in Environmental Science," and was one of the editors of the electronic journal "The Scientific World." He acted as chair & science advisor to the Alberta, Canada government-industry acid deposition research program, the science committee of the German Parliament and the USDA National Agricultural Air Quality Task Force. Sagar had a passion for science that was truly incredible. He was internationally recognized as a brilliant scientist with a mind that never

stopped. He traveled the world and challenged everyone all of the time. There was never a boring moment when Sagar had the floor at an international conference when making a point or delivering a talk. While his comments and observations were razor sharp, there was always a twinkle in his eye and a chuckle in his voice. Political correctness was not part of Sagar's view of the world. As a teacher and educator he had a love for students and always encouraged everyone to get "off their butts" and make a difference. Sagar enjoyed watching football, fishing with "the guys" and traveling with his wife and friends out west and abroad with Ireland being a favorite destination. He is remembered for his bigger than life personality, his probing scientific mind, his incredible memory and for many acts of kindness, especially in helping others achieve their educational goals. Funeral service 3PM (visitation begins at 2PM) Saturday, May 17 at HOLCOMB-HENRY-BOOM-PURCELL, 515 Hwy. 96 W., Shoreview. After the service, light refreshments will be served along with Irish libations according to his wishes. Interment 1PM Monday, May 19 at St. Mary's Cemetery, Menasha, WI. The family wishes to thank Dr. David King and the nurses and staff of MN Oncology and Unity Hospital for their wonderful care. Memorials preferred to the S.V. Krupa Science Scholarship Fund.

Tribute Wall

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“ *My condolences to you, Nancy. Besides Sagar's keen intellect, I also enjoyed his great sense of humor. Let's stay in touch more!*

Sandra Klapper - May 15, 2014 at 12:00 AM

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“ *Very sorry to read about your husband. I remember your stories about Sagar reviewing articles at your kitchen table. Hope you are still connected to children and enjoying good health. Judy (464-5298)*

Judy Bull - May 15, 2014 at 12:00 AM