



Samuel Skidmore "Sam" Thorpe III

September 6, 2014

Thorpe, Samuel Skidmore III "Sam" Age 80, of Edina MN, passed away surrounded by his loving family on September 6th, 2014 after an amazing 9 year extension of his life by an anonymous organ donor. A lifelong resident of Edina, Sam was born on March 10th, 1934 beloved son of Samuel and Emilie Thorpe. He graduated from Lake Forest Academy-Illinois and Trinity College, Hartford, CT. After in which he enlisted in the Navy and served as an officer from 1957 to 1960. His professional career spanned over 30 years in real estate culminating in his leadership of Thorpe Bros. Real Estate group which celebrated its 100th anniversary under his leadership. During this time Sam was recognized for his professionalism and integrity. Sam's reach spanned across many associations and organizations. He served as the past President of the Minneapolis Board of Realtors and received the award of Minnesota Realtor of the Year in 1981. Past President and Director of the Surdna Foundation of New York, Sam was an active member of the Rotary Club of Minneapolis serving as both an officer and director of the organization. He also served on the Executive Board of the Minneapolis Viking Council for the Boy Scouts of America. A lifelong active member of his church St. Stephen's Episcopal Church of Edina and treasurer of the James R. Thorpe Foundation, Sam always gave more of himself for the improvement of the world we live in. Sam's passion for life included duck hunting, fishing, gardening, the North Shore and of course watching his Vikings and Twins disappoint him year after year, though his loyalty never wavered. His love of God, country, and family

seemed to have no bounds and his unconditional support and generosity were legendary. Sam is survived by his wife Ginni and children: Skip (Lynelle), Stephen, Scott, Dan Fraher (Danielle) and Leisa Fraher. Six grandchildren also graced his life: Autumn Thorpe, Lydia Thorpe, Angela Thorpe, Leslie Fraher, Renee Fraher, and Garrett Fraher: two sisters Mary "Peg" (Jim) Lowman and Josephine "Josie" Thorpe and seven nieces and nephews and many cousins. A Memorial Service in celebration of Sam's extraordinary life will be held on Thursday, September 11th, 2014 at 10:00 a.m. at St. Stephen's Episcopal Church, 4439 W. 50th Street, Edina, MN 55424. In lieu of flowers the family requests memorials to the Islet Transplant and Research Fund # 11406. Checks should be made out to the University of Minnesota Foundation, 200 Oak Street SE #500, Minneapolis, MN 55455. www.Washburn-McReavy.com Edina Chapel 952-920-3996

Tribute Wall

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“ Ginni and Family, I am so sorry to hear of the passing of Sam he will be greatly missed. I enjoyed the years I was cleaning for you. My thoughts and prayers go out to you during this hard time. Tammy Voigt

Tammy Voigt - September 11, 2014 at 10:12 AM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Samuel Skidmore "Sam" Thorpe III.



September 10, 2014 at 01:53 PM

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“ Ginni and family...my thoughts and prayers are with you in your time of sorrow...THE LORD HATH TAKEN ANOTHER LAMB FOR HIS FLOCK.....Ginni..stay strong, you have many to lean on for support...memories are forever keep them in your heart...LEISA...you have given so much of yourself...and were always there in time of need...remain strong.....JIM

JIM - September 09, 2014 at 09:26 AM

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“ I am so sorry for your loss. I enjoyed my many conversations with Sam regarding his insurance. Sam was always very kind to me and I will miss talking to him. He will be missed by many. Gail Chase Assured Protection, Inc.

Gail Chase - September 09, 2014 at 09:20 AM

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“ *Josie, et al- Very sorry to see that Sam has died. We have many fond memories of him and the family. Knut*

Knut Horneland - September 08, 2014 at 06:47 PM