



Sidney Rebers

August 22, 2010

Rebers, Sidney B. Age 83 of Edina, died on August 19, 2010. Preceded in death by parents, Ernest and Verna, and brother, Paul. Survived by wife of 59 years, Barbara; sons, Brad, Randy (Denise); daughters, Laurie (special friend Steve Fountain) and Kristen Rice (Rick Rice); brother, Richard; beloved "Sidpa" to Stefanie and Marissa Rebers and Matthew and Josie Rice. Sid was a loving and very generous husband, father, grandfather, employer and friend. Sid started Rebers Construction Company in 1958 and was a respected homebuilder. Throughout his career he built 387 homes and a number of commercial properties. The majority of his business was based on referrals and he was known for his attention to detail and high quality homes. His company motto was "Quality is remembered long after price is forgotten." He built many outstanding houses on Lake Minnetonka, North Oaks, Edina and he developed the beautiful Sugar Woods neighborhood in Long Lake. Sid enjoyed gardening, working out, hunting, and fishing at Cree Lake in Canada and in Mexico. He was an ardent supporter of nature conservation and enjoyed spending time at "the farm" in northern Minnesota that abuts Federal and State wildlife refuges. He created four water fowl ponds, planted 5,000 spruce seedlings and improved the woods for wildlife. He particularly enjoyed wolves and moose. No one could cook a steak or make popcorn better than Dad. He taught us all a lot about so many things, and most important, the value of hard work. "It is what you do when the other guy quits that puts you ahead." We all have many fond memories of him but he will really be missed.

Special thanks to the staff at Sunrise of Edina (who enjoyed his sarcastic sense of humor) and Abbott Northwestern for their kind care of him. In lieu of flowers, memorials are preferred. Memorial service Wed 11 AM with visitation one hour before at Normandale Lutheran Church, 6100 Normandale Road, Edina. Private interment Lakewood Cemetery. Washburn-McReavy Edina Chapel 952-920-3996