



Theodore Wayne Kobs

July 7, 1933 - November 21, 2022

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Teacher, musician, and father, Ted Kobs passed away on November 21 of Lewy body syndrome.

Ted grew up in Northeast Minneapolis and attended St. John's Lutheran Church and Edison High School. He went to college and earned his Ph. D at the University of Minnesota where he was a proud member of the marching band. Ted was smart, kind, generous, and funny, mostly on purpose. His first teaching job was in Edina where he was one of two teachers in the final years of the historic Cahill School. He spent his entire teaching career at Edina public schools, teaching music at Wooddale and then third grade at Cornelia. He is remembered by many as a lifelong advocate for continuing education. When he retired, Ted built a piano tuning business and served clients all over the Twin Cities.

Ted drove a taxi, painted classrooms in the summer, and directed church choirs. With teacher friends Jim Berger, Howard Busse and Roger Peterson, he played at over 50 area golf courses. Ted loved round dancing with Carmen, going to UM football games, and playing clarinet in the UM Alumni and Synod Senior Band. Students and acquaintances remembered Ted's waxed mustache and classic polyester clothes. Ted did not invent the leisure suit, but he quietly kept the style alive to the end. He was the first in his family to attend college and the last survivor of his generation. He was 89.

Ted was preceded in death by his daughter, April, and his first wife, Sandra.

He is survived by his beloved wife Carmen, his children, Katherine, Steve, and Larry, and countless others who are better for knowing him.

Informal service December 4th for family and close friends at Washburn-McReavy Hopkins chapel.

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 4. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Hopkins Chapel
1400 Mainstreet
Hopkins, MN 55343

Chapel Service

DEC 4. 2:00 PM - 2:45 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



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