



Thomas True Dwight

June 9, 1932 - July 27, 2018

It is with great sadness that Tom Dwight's family announces his passing on July 27, 2018, at the age of 86, due to complications from late stage Alzheimer's.

A native of Fargo, North Dakota, Tom moved to Minneapolis with his family as a child. He attended The Blake School, graduated from Bowdoin College in Maine and received his law degree from the University of Minnesota. Tom followed his father into the trust business, first at Chicago Continental Bank in Chicago, 1957-62, and then for 35 years with First Trust/USBank of St. Paul, retiring as Senior Vice President in 1997. He always enjoyed working with clients and was respected and loved by clients and coworkers alike.

In 1954, Tom married Isabel Rife. Tim and Margo were born in Chicago, and then the family settled in Birchwood Village on the shores of White Bear Lake, where Elizabeth and Leslie were born. After he divorced, Tom married Helen in 1976, and they lived in Stillwater and then Mahtomedi.

Tom served on numerous boards, including Courage Center, International Wolf Center, and Parks & Trails Council of Minnesota. At Parks & Trails, he helped purchase and set aside thousands of acres of parkland in Minnesota. An avid outdoorsperson and conservationist, Tom loved every hike, every ski and every stroke of his canoe paddle with family and a close group of friends. He nurtured a strong love of nature and wild places in his children and grandchildren. He had a passion for planting trees, passed down from his father, and he was a talented amateur landscape photographer.

Tom had a quiet sense of humor that stayed with him even as Alzheimer's clouded his memory. He moved into Clare Bridge/Brookdale North Oaks in 2013 and enjoyed giving poetry readings and listening to classical and jazz music.

Tom was a loving father, grandfather and husband. He will be remembered by his wife, Helen; daughters, Margo (Guido), Elizabeth (Heradio), and Leslie (Mike); and grandchildren, Cassie, Sofi, Harry and Miles. Tom was preceded in death by parents Evangeline and Floyd, stepmother Grace, son Timothy, and son-in-law Heradio.

A service to celebrate Tom's life will be held on Sat., Aug. 25, at First Presbyterian Church of White Bear Lake, 4821 Bloom Ave. Gathering at 10:30 am, service at 11 am and lunch to follow. Memorial donations in Tom's name can be made to Parks & Trails Council of Minnesota (275 4th St. E., #250, St. Paul, MN 55101) and International Wolf Center (7100 Northland Circle N., #205, Minneapolis, MN 55428).