



Vernon Orville Berkness

March 29, 1932 - August 15, 2021

Berkness, Vernon Orville Lived to a vibrant age of 89, Plymouth. Died August 15, 2021. Preceded in death by brother Loren Survived by wife Jean; daughters: Laurel Erickson (Greg Fall), Sandra Greenway (Jim Lau), Janice Laven (Mark Laven) and son Daniel Berkness; Grandchildren: Brian Erickson (Betsy), Brandon Erickson, Jonathan Laven, Julie Laven; great grandsons: Owen and Levi Erickson. Born and graduated in Lakefield. He served in the Army for 16 months in the Korean war. Graduated from Augsburg College. He married Jean Bekkerus; they recently celebrated their 63rd wedding anniversary. He worked as a salesman for Sunshine Biscuit, American Greetings for 22 years. He sold real estate for 14 years for MB Hagen/ERA and Edina Realty. His faith in God was important to him. He encouraged others to keep the faith, share the Word and serve the Lord. He was active in ministry and boards at Gethsemane Lutheran Church for 54 years. He was thankful to the Lord for eternal life. He was active with the Hopkins Noon-time Lions and Sons of Norway-Minnetonka lodge. He had many sporting interests: golf, tennis, fishing. Memorial Service at Gethsemane Lutheran Church on Saturday, August 21 at 11 am, with Visitation at 10 am. We respectfully ask you wear a mask. In lieu of flowers, memorials preferred to Gethsemane Lutheran Church to support Bible camp for kids, 715 Minnetonka Mills Rd, Hopkins 55343. Washburn-McReavy.com Strobeck Johnson 952-938-9020

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 21. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Gethsemane Lutheran Church (Hopkins)
715 Minnetonka Mills Road
Hopkins, MN 55343

Memorial Service

AUG 21. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

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Other

AUG 21. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (CT)

Gethsemane Lutheran Church Columbarium
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Hopkins, MN 55343

Reception

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