



Virgil Joseph Sauve

April 8, 1930 - June 5, 2025

Virgil Joseph Sauve of Shoreview, 95, passed away on June 5, 2025 from cancer at home with loved ones nearby. He is survived by his wife, Doriene (Moser) Sauve, children Stephen (Mary), Rosemarie Wilke, Mary (Curt) Callister, Monica (David) Sunsdahl, 14 grandchildren, 17 great-grandchildren, 1 great great-grandson, sister, Noella Wiese, and brothers, Melvin and Darel. He is preceded in death by his son, David Sauve, daughter, Beatrice Sauve, and brother Raymond.

Virgil was born in Brooks, MN to Isaac and Eva Sauve. He graduated from Pershing High School, Plummer, MN as valedictorian, attended St. Johns University, then joined the US Army during the Korean War. He was on the 45th Tank Battalion Division and correspondence team. After honorable discharge, he joined the MN National Guard. He was also an active member of the VFW in Roseville. He married Doriene Moser on August 18, 1953. They have been married for 71 years. They lived in Thief River Falls and Winona before settling in Shoreview for 58 Years.

Virgil worked as a civil engineer for the MN Department of Transportation, retiring in 1989. His projects included Highway 77 near Mall of America, and Lafayette Bridge near St. Paul. He co-owned a pool table store, sold Amway, and worked at a local hardware store.

Virgil enjoyed woodworking, camping, fishing, and hunting. After retirement, he and Doriene wintered in Donna, Texas for many years.

The family would like to give a special thank you to the St. Croix Hospice Team and Bel Rae Senior Living Center.

Visitation Sunday, June 15 from 4-7PM at Washburn-McReavy, 515 Hwy. 96 W., Shoreview. Mass of Christian Burial 11AM (visitation begins at 10AM) Monday, June 16 at St. Odilia Catholic Church, 3495 N. Victoria, Shoreview. Interment in St. John the Baptist Cemetery. Memorials preferred.

Live stream of service here: <https://youtube.com/live/FRiE3HHZ5wk?feature=share>

Cemetery Details

St. John the Baptist Cemetery (New Brighton)

835 2nd Avenue NW
New Brighton, MN 55112

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN **15**. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Shoreview Chapel
515 Highway 96 West
Shoreview, MN 55126

Visitation

JUN **16**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

St. Odilia Catholic Church
3495 Victoria Street N.
Shoreview, MN 55126

Mass of Christian Burial

JUN **16**. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

St. Odilia Catholic Church
3495 Victoria Street N.
Shoreview, MN 55126

Graveside Service

JUN **16**. 1:30 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

St. John the Baptist Cemetery (New Brighton)
835 2nd Avenue NW
New Brighton, MN 55112

Tribute Wall

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“ I am so sorry to hear about Virgil's passing. Please accept our sympathy. Our prayers are with you and all of your family. I would love to be able to go to the funeral but that would be just too much for me to handle. I remember the many good times spent with Virgil as we were growing up. It was always a great day when our families visited in Brooks and at the farm. God Bless. Ella Mae Derosier.

Ella MaeDerosier - June 12, 2025 at 12:48 PM

MF

“ Mel Sauve and family purchased the Love's Tapestry for the family of Virgil Joseph Sauve.



Mel Sauve and family - June 12, 2025 at 11:45 AM

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“ Mel Sauve and family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Virgil Joseph Sauve.

Mel Sauve and family - June 12, 2025 at 11:45 AM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Virgil Joseph Sauve.



June 11, 2025 at 03:11 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Virgil Joseph Sauve.

June 11, 2025 at 03:11 PM



“ *Pretty Please* was purchased for the family of Virgil Joseph Sauve.



June 09, 2025 at 01:37 PM



“ *Virgil always brought the party to the party. Memories of camping trips and so much more. Rest in peace with David and Beatrice. Virginia and Steve Royse*



Virginia Eisbrener Royse - June 08, 2025 at 04:39 PM



“ *Pamela S. purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Virgil Joseph Sauve.*



Pamela S. - June 08, 2025 at 03:41 PM

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“ Pamela S. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Virgil Joseph Sauve.

Pamela S. - June 08, 2025 at 03:41 PM