



## Wallace Edgar Berg

May 19, 1920 - July 7, 2019

Wallace Berg was born on May 19, 1920 to Ed and Luella Berg of Northfield, Minnesota. Wally graduated from Northfield high school and earned a B.A. degree from St. Olaf College where he was elected student body president. He later attended graduate school at the University of Chicago. He served in the U.S. Army Air Corps from 1943-1945 as a classification specialist. In 1947, Wally was one of two delegates chosen to attend the World Conference of Christian Youth, and in 1950, he was named "Outstanding Man of the Year" by the Junior Chamber of Commerce in Minnesota. In 1952, he was appointed Federal Housing Administration director for the State of Minnesota, served 8 years and received the "Civil Servant of the Year" Leadership Award for Federal Employees in the Twin City area. Also, that year, Wally married Sylvia Schyman and they were married for 55 years, having two daughters, Chris and Karen. The family attended First Covenant Church in Minneapolis where Wally served on the board of directors. Wally and Sylvia were avid volunteers at Minnehaha Academy where Chris and Karen attended high school. In 1962, Wally became senior vice-president and served as secretary of the board of directors for Midwest Federal Savings & Loan. He retired in 1985, and in 1987, he and Sylvia started Wally Berg Realty on Bay Lake where the family spent summers at their cabin. Together they built a highly successful realty company, selling 117 lake home properties before Wally retired again in 2003. Wally served as a board member of the University of Northwestern, St. Paul, and Campus Crusade for Christ. The Billy Graham Evangelistic

Association elected Wally to the board of directors in 1973, where he served until 1997 and was awarded emeritus status. Wally was a member of the Minneapolis Rotary Club, and he and Sylvia enjoyed membership at the Edina Country Club, The Women's Club, and the Swedish Institute of Minneapolis.

Wally and Sylvia treasured cabin life with family and their dear friends on Bay Lake. Wally especially enjoyed sailing, golfing, boat rides and the "Bay Lake picnics" on summer holiday weekends. When grandchildren came, he and Sylvia loved them dearly and were very active in their lives. Wally unconditionally loved everyone around him and made them feel valued. His positive attitude, kindness and generosity impacted all who knew him. He was a wonderful father, grand-father, great-grandfather and friend. Wally was a man of the highest integrity and leaves a strong legacy of a deep and inspiring faith in God, sharing his love of Jesus through his last days on earth.

Wallace is preceded in death by parents and wife Sylvia. Survived by daughters, Christine (Don) Blue and Karen (Jay Johnson) Berg-Johnson; grandchildren, David (Alyssa) Blue, Kelley (Ben) Forsberg, Lauren (Scott) Schiller, Christina Johnson, Caroline Johnson; great-grandchildren, Reagan and Anna Blue, William and Lucas Forsberg, and brother, Alan Berg. A celebration of life service, followed by lunch, is planned for Tuesday, July 16 11:00 AM at Bloomington Covenant Church, 10150 Xerxes Ave S. Private interment Crystal Lake Cemetery. Memorials to the Billy Graham Evangelistic Association or Bloomington Covenant Church.

# Previous Events

## Church Service

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

Bloomington Covenant Church  
10150 Xerxes Avenue South  
Bloomington, MN 55431

# Tribute Wall



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Wallace Edgar Berg.* ”



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July 15, 2019 at 09:56 PM



“ *The Brunsbergs- Jeff, Suzy, Chloe, Jack, and Anna purchased the Pretty Please for the family of Wallace Edgar Berg.* ”



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**The Brunsbergs- Jeff, Suzy, Chloe, Jack, and Anna** - July 15, 2019 at 09:23 PM



“ *Allan Berg, Nancy Berg, Jim Berg & Becky Rice purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Wallace Edgar Berg.* ”



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**Allan Berg, Nancy Berg, Jim Berg & Becky Rice** - July 10, 2019 at 05:52 PM



“ *Wally was a true gentleman, a great Christian, an example to all and a great neighbor and friend. Carol and Larry Law* ”

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**Carol and Larry Law** - July 10, 2019 at 01:19 PM

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*I had the priviledge to know Wally at Summit Place. I marveled at his love for the arts, especially music, reading and his strong faith. When I left SP, I missed our enlightening conversations and chats while I was helping Wally. A dear man, I shall not soon forget.*

*Ellie Empson*

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**Ellie Empson** - July 11, 2019 at 12:00 PM