



Walter Chapman

January 19, 2003

Chapman Walter Lee Chapman, age 96, of Edina, died January 11, 2003. Walt was born in Clinton, Iowa, on February 11, 1906. Preceded in death by his wife, Alice. Walt is survived by his children, Lee (Sandy), Walter, Jr. "Brick" (Lockie), and Laurie, all of Edina; six grandchildren, Wally (Eva), Julie (Danny) Griffin, Jay (fiancee Angela), Libby, Henry, and Emma; six great-grandchildren. As a young man Walt met and shook the hand of Buffalo Bill. He lettered in basketball at the U of M and was the oldest living "M Man." He played in the first basketball game at Williams Arena and set the Big10 single game scoring record in 1928. Although he was an accomplished athlete, he was known more for his influence as a coach, principal, mentor, and friend. He was at Marshall H.S. from 1934 to 1966 until his retirement. He won many championships in football and basketball at Appleton and Marshall. Former players, students, and teachers have said that Walt "made a difference in their lives" and that he had a "rare God-given talent for bringing out the best in people." Walt was a member of the Minnesota Basketball Hall of Fame, the Coaches Hall of Fame, and the East Side Hall of Fame. Walt was loved and respected deeply by his children and grandchildren, and they are celebrating that he has finally won the biggest game of all. He is now at peace in Heaven with his Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. A Memorial Service 2:30 pm Tuesday, Jan. 21, 2003 at Christ Presbyterian Church, (70th St. & Hwy. 100, Edina). Reception following at the church. In lieu of flowers, memorials in Walt's name are preferred to N.C. Little Hospice in Edina or the University of Minnesota

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