



Warren James Krekelberg

May 12, 1947 - March 12, 2025

Warren James Krekelberg, Jr. passed away in Myrtle Beach, SC on March 12, 2025.

Also known to friends and family as Teddy, Jim, and James; Warren was born on May 12, 1947 in Minneapolis, MN to Warren J. and Constance H. Krekelberg.

He is survived by his wife, Dianne Marie Krekelberg, née Roessler; his children, Brad (Linda) and Patrick (Mary) Krekelberg; his siblings, Joe (Anne) Krekelberg, Dan (Susan) Krekelberg, Kevin (Lauren) Krekelberg, and Colleen (Chris) Bennett; and six grandchildren.

Always the historian, Warren was ever-ready to share his encyclopedic knowledge with anyone on topics ranging from castle architecture to aviation, naval, and railroad chronicles. He earned a teaching degree from Mankato State University with a history focus and was a member of AKO fraternity. Despite an alternate career which led to retirement from the Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railroad, his role as a father and grandfather meant he was a teacher for life. An avid model railroader and photographer, he kept archival records of Minnesota's railroading past. Neighbors loved to see Warren passing by in his 1966 Ford Mustang "Sally" on his way to another car show. He was active for decades in the church pro life group and prayed for

the unborn weekly at Planned Parenthood.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at Saint John the Baptist Catholic Church in New Brighton, MN on April 10 at 11AM followed by a visit to the cemetery and fellowship luncheon. Visitation on April 9, 4-7PM at Washburn-McReavy New Brighton.

Cemetery Details

St. John the Baptist Cemetery (New Brighton)

1150 7th ST NW
New Brighton, MN 55112

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 9. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

New Brighton Chapel
706 4th Avenue N.W.
New Brighton, MN 55112

Visitation

APR 10. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

St. John the Baptist Catholic Church
835 2nd Avenue NW
New Brighton, MN 55112

Mass of Christian Burial

APR 10. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

St. John the Baptist Catholic Church
835 2nd Avenue NW
New Brighton, MN 55112

Tribute Wall

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“ I've followed Jimmy on Facebook for quite some time and have really enjoyed his posts. I have very much enjoyed his sharing of his love of trains and train travel, his Mustang and enjoyment of classic cars, the photo taking bird feeder, and the holidays as they came and went. They've meant a lot to me, reminding me of there being decent people out there enjoying things and life without hurting anybody. Even though I haven't seen Jimmy in person since we were kids, I'll miss him very much.

Judith Milgram - April 19, 2025 at 02:41 PM