



## Wayne John Dvorak

June 24, 1925 - January 30, 2023

Wayne John Dvorak, 97 of Bloomington passed away peacefully on January 30th. Preceded in death by wife Joan, parents Louis and Albina Dvorak and 7 siblings. Survived by children David, Chris, Greg, Lisa (David) Mason, Paul (Crystal), Judy (Scott) Baatz and Patrick. Also survived by grandchildren Adam, Eric, Cassidy and Kelly. Funeral arrangements through Washburn/McReavy Chapel.

Wayne was born in Lincoln, Minnesota in 1925. He was one of 9 children. As a small boy he trapped muskrats to help make money during the depression. After graduating from high school in Motley, Minnesota, Wayne enlisted in the Army and was stationed in Saipan as part of the Occupational forces. Upon discharge Wayne moved to Wyoming and spent some years flying mail for the USPS. Eventually he would return to Minnesota and co-own a Shell service station in Saint Paul where he met his future wife Joan. Wayne and Joan were married in 1956 and remained happily married for the next 65 years until Joan's passing in 2021.

Wayne and Joan raised seven children while operating a Pure Oil / Unocal station in Bloomington. All of Wayne's children worked at the station as part of the family business. Wayne enjoyed hunting trips to Wyoming with family members and friends. Wayne relaxed by going up to the "80" on weekends and cutting wood, driving around on his Farmall tractor and he relished

assigning jobs so there was no one standing idle. He spent a lot of time in his garden growing radishes and tomatoes. Wayne rescued stray animals (that he would then "gift" to his sister and nieces). Wayne enjoyed feeding his wild bird friends and no one was allowed to walk in front of the sliding door if the ducks were on the patio eating corn. He had a lifelong love of Golden Retrievers and owned many beautiful Golden Retrievers.

Wayne was very generous with those who did not have much, often making unexpected special deliveries to friends and family. He enjoyed the simple pleasures that life had to offer. He was a good listener and conversationalist. Wayne's generous spirit, easy smile, and zest for life will be greatly missed by those who knew and loved him. Burial will be at Fort Snelling Tuesday, May 30th at 11:15 a.m. Assembly area #2.

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# Tribute Wall

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“ My wife, Julianne and I lived next door to Wayne and Joan when we lived in Bloomington in 1967-69. They were wonderful neighbors to us, the young couple with a new baby next door. In spite of having so many children of their own, they always found time for us.. As beginning teachers in Bloomington, we didn't have any money, so, Wayne was kind enough to "loan" us a 1948 Ford 4 door. We will never forget their kindness.

Russell and Julianne Peterson - February 13, 2023 at 05:49 PM

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“ My dad and I knew him from when he operated his gas station in Bloomington. He was a good friend!

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“ We will all miss him and share in your grief

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