



William John Donahue

April 23, 1934 - December 5, 2022

Donahue, William John was born in Minneapolis on April 23rd, 1934 and died peacefully December 5th, 2022 surrounded by family. Preceded in death by mother Bess and father William Donahue and stepmother Regina Donahue, daughter Colleen, sisters Marylou Johnson and Rita Sylte. Survived by Mike (MaryJo Morris), Jack (Cyndi), Rose (David Skavnak), and loving wife of 63 years Neva, sisters Margaret Flaherty, Colleen Jentsch, Betty Dahl. Brothers Patrick, Richard, and Al Libera.

Bill served in the US Army 10th Mountain Division in Germany - where he made many friends from "Northeast" Minneapolis. After his Honorable Discharge he graduated from Dunwoody Inst. and started family business "Donahue Mechanical". Lived and volunteered in Columbia Heights. Joined Civil Defense, Police Reserve, and Lions Club.

Retired early due to a medical condition and moved to Coon Rapids. Volunteered again in the Senior Center and adopted Woodcrest Drive.

Bill had a huge passion for football and the Green Bay Packers - from his early days with family in Beaver Dam, WI - where he lived while his Dad served in the Navy during WWII.

Golf became a regular pastime for Bill and Neva at Bunker Hills - going so

often they no longer needed Tee-times as they were considered 'regulars'. Bought an RV in 2002 and traveled many trips west, and numerous national parks.

Grandchildren Jessie, Josie Denman, MacKenzie, Marley, Hannah and Will (Skavnak), Nicole. Great-grandchildren Ellyse, Kole, Wyatt and Breckin (Denman).

Visitation Friday, January 20th at 10AM with Memorial Service at 11AM. Father Thomas Dufner officiating at Washburn-McReavy Chapel: 1827 Coon Rapids Blvd. Luncheon to follow at VFW next door.

Internment May 25, 2pm at Morningside Memorial Gardens, Coon Rapids, MN.

Memorials preferred to St. Mary's Mission of Red Lake, MN.

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 20. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Coon Rapids Chapel
1827 Coon Rapids Blvd.
Coon Rapids, MN 55433

Chapel Service

JAN 20. 11:00 AM - 11:45 AM (CT)

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Reception

JAN 20. 12:00 PM - 3:00 PM (CT)

Coon Rapids VFW Post 9625
1919 Coon Rapids Boulevard Northwest
Coon Rapids, MN 55433

Tribute Wall



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of William John Donahue.* ”



January 19, 2023 at 09:30 AM