



William A. "Archie" Gamble Jr.

February 28, 2013

Gamble, William Jr. 'Archie' Died peacefully at home on Thursday morning, February 28, 2013, surrounded by family and friends. William Archie Gamble, Jr. was born October 6, 1926 in Bismarck, North Dakota to Wm. Archie and Zilphia (Georgie) Gamble. He worked many jobs, was honorably discharged from the Navy after serving from 1944-1946, and retired from Super Valu in 1988 after a 42 year career. His career provided opportunities for he and June to travel the world. Archie married June L. Rosencrans on Sept. 29, 1947. They lived in Bismarck, Minot, Hopkins and finally settling in St. Louis Park, where they raised 5 children, Cheryl, Marla, Dane, Gregg, and Gail. He loved music and played the guitar and piano. He was instigator and planner of neighborhood parties and family picnics. He especially loved watching and hearing his grandchildren perform. Watching his great- grandchildren run and play brought him joy and laughter. He enjoyed fishing trips, playing cards and putzing in his garden. He was a great storyteller and could tell tales of growing up in North Dakota, life in the Navy and life in general, always with humor and good advice. Archie is survived by his wife of 65 years, June, of St. Louis Park; daughters, Cheryl (Roy) Colbert of Paynesville, MN, Marla (future son-in-law, Jim Thielen) Gamble of St. Paul, MN, Gail (Richard) Dix of E. Wenatchee, WA; sons, Dane (Margaret) Gamble of Bozeman, MT, Gregg (Susan) Gamble of Pequot Lakes, MN; 9 grandchildren and 7 great-grandchildren; sister-in-law, Delaine Gamble and nephews and a niece. He was preceded in death by his parents and brothers, Clarence and Richard.

His wish to die at home was able to be granted through the kindness and caretaking of our Visiting Angel, care givers, and hospice care team. Thank you to all. Memorials preferred to Gethsemane Memorial Art Fund or Lutheran Social Services. Interment Lakewood Cemetery. Funeral service 11 AM Wednesday with visitation 1 hour prior to service at Gethsemane Lutheran Church, 715 Minnetonka Mills Road, Hopkins. Visitation 5-8 PM Tuesday at: www.Washburn-McReavy.com Strobeck Johnson Chapel 1400 Mainstreet, Hopkins 952 938-9020

Cemetery Details

Lakewood Cemetery

3600 Hennepin Avenue South
Minneapolis, MN 55408

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 5. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Hopkins Chapel
1400 Mainstreet
Hopkins, MN 55343
(952) 938-9020
info@washburn-mcreavy.com

Visitation

MAR 6. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Gethsemane Lutheran Church
715 Minnetonka Mills Road
Hopkins, MN 55343

Service

MAR 6. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of William A. "Archie" Gamble Jr..



March 05, 2013 at 09:51 AM

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“ My Archie... what am I gonna do without my Archie. Two and a half years ago, I was given the opportunity and the gift of becoming June's caregiver. I had no idea what I was in for! Besides the privilege of caring for June, you and your family adopted me as a member of your incredible family. It was no coincidence or luck that brought us to each other, but rather, it was ordained to be. What a blessing these years have been!!



You brought a light and energy to this house that I will truly miss more than words can express. Even thru your moments and days of pain, there would always be a smile that would eventually follow. Not to mention your quiet laugh as you would tell your stories, with toothpick in hand (of course), of times long ago...sometimes they would be spoken somewhat slowly, but I knew that each story was worth every second of the wait. And you cracked me up with your blood sugar #'s, as they weren't just #'s to you. Many times they triggered conversation whether it was an amusing numerical pattern, or perhaps related to something significant, such as 109....you chuckled as you recalled...."heh, heh, 109.....that was JFK's ship number....PT109."

Certainly I was educated while you were here on this earth. And I also learned what it means to have genuine patience, humility, endurance, perseverance, and appreciation of the little things FOR SURE!!

Watch over us Arch, as you journey on in your Heavenly Home. Keep your light burning within each one of us. Stand close and give us the needed strength when we are faced with difficult times. Tap us on the shoulder when it's time for us to listen rather than speak, to give rather than receive, and to fight rather than give up. You were the epitome of fighting the good fight! You gave it your all until the very end.

Oh how much I will miss you! But I have so much more to be grateful for. Thank you for all that you brought to my life. Thank you for your trust and your love. I love you Archie Gamble.....no more pain, no more cares...time to rest....Jesus has you now and you are

perfect and whole!! Fare thee well, My Archie.

~Amy

Amy McLaughlin - March 04, 2013 at 11:36 AM

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“ *Our deepest condolences to the Gamble family. Although we didn't personally know Mr. Gamble we have heard stories of what a wonderful man he was and what wonderful family he helped create. Our thoughts and prayers are with the entire family during this time*

From Gail's friends in Hospice in Wenatchee, Washington.

Merry Holland - March 04, 2013 at 10:09 AM