



## William James Lawson

September 1, 1935 - April 19, 2020

Lawson, William J. Age 84, passed away peacefully April 19. Bill grew up in NE Mpls, graduated from McDonell High School in Chippewa Falls (WI) and returned to NE Mpls. Bill was an Air Force Veteran, St. Thomas Univ. graduate, English teacher, writer, and coach, worked at the Mpls. Park Board and USPS-BMC. Bill loved music, sports and reading. Bill cherished his faith, family and friends. He was passionate about his grandchildren's interests and activities. Preceded in death by parents, William and Ann, brothers, Todd and Tom, and son, Mark. Survived by sons, Steven (Tamara), David (Valerie), John (Robin) and Robert (Barbara), grandchildren Chris, Nick, Justin, Rebecca, Matthew, Tony, Ian, Will, Joey and Benny; siblings, Sr. Jackie, Jeri Pitra, Janice (Lee) Donais, Jim (Rose), Mary Michele, and sister-in-law Rose Lawson, and many nieces, nephews and friends. Private service held at Our Lady of Lourdes Church where Bill was a long-time parishioner. A celebration of his life will be held at a later date. Memorials may be made to Food for the Poor, Inc., Our Lady of Peace Hospice Home and ProLife Across America.