



## William "Bill" John Milne

March 6, 1934 - July 31, 2025

Milne, Dr. William (Bill)

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Age 91, of Roseville, Bill Milne passed away after a seizure, July 31, 2025. He is preceded in death by son, William David; parents, William and Rubye; and brother, William Thomas. He is survived by wife, Beverly; daughter, Lisa (Johnnie) Sowards; son, Robert (Paula) Milne; grandchildren: Adam, Brielle, and Chrystofer Sowards; Lucas Erickson, Larissa (AJ) Allee, and Erin (Erik) Stitt; and sister, Marcia Burger and family.

Graduated from Central High School 1952, as senior class president.

Attended Macalester College where he met Beverly Adams in 1954 and received his BS - Dentistry in 1958. He then earned his DDS from the U of M in 1960.

He married Beverly on August 1, 1959, and then bought a small dental practice in 1960 on University Ave. He later moved his practice to Snelling and Lafond where he practiced until he retired in 1998.

Bill was all about family, neighbors, schools, and community. He was involved with neighborhood block parties, school events, Indian Guides, Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts, Y's Men, church opportunities, volunteering, and spending time

with friends.

He took us on many family vacations including road trips to South Dakota, US Rocky Mountains, Canadian Rockies, northeastern US; Driftwood Family Resort, BWCA, Disney World and California. Locally, he took us boating, skiing, camping, and to the MN State Fair.

He continued to enjoy traveling with Beverly following his retirement to Japan, Spain, Italy, Eastern Europe, Thailand, Turkey, China, Ukraine missions, and cruises.

Many hours were devoted to his grandchildren including attending sporting events, concerts, award programs, traveling to Bemidji or entertaining them at their house - playing games, wagon rides, walks, exploring in the woods, sledding, building bonfires in the sandbox, and all the birthday parties! He showed up at school and church events to support their education, faith, and growth.

Celebration of Life will be held Friday, September 19, at their house, 972 Lydia Dr, Roseville, MN 55113. Informal Visitation begins at 2:45pm and Service at 3:30pm. Celebration Reception starts at 4:30pm. (Burial for family and close friends will be held at 2pm, at Roselawn Cemetery.) Memorials preferred to Lewy Body Dementia Association <https://www.lbda.org/donate/>

# Previous Events

## Visitation

SEP **19**. 2:45 PM - 3:30 PM (CT)

Family Home  
972 Lydia Drive  
Roseville, MN 55113

## Funeral Service

SEP **19**. 3:30 PM - 4:30 PM (CT)

Family Home  
972 Lydia Drive  
Roseville, MN 55113

## Reception

SEP **19**. 4:30 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall



“ For the 30+ years we were neighbors on East Battle Lake I always looked forward to our conversations on politics, faith and life in general.

Your love for Bev, Bob, Lisa and the grandkids was a beacon that shone brightly.

I know you are resting in the arms of your savior Bill. Will miss you...

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**Gordy** - September 11, 2025 at 10:00 PM



I appreciate reading this thank you as friends and neighbors.

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**Bob Milne** - September 12, 2025 at 11:34 AM



“ 7 files added to the tribute wall



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**Bob Milne** - September 11, 2025 at 09:17 PM

TB

“ I remember his patience with me while I tried to figure out how to get up on a pair of water skis. It took at least two summers, but he never complained.

**Todd Burger** - September 11, 2025 at 09:09 PM



Todd - he did the same for us... He wanted us to enjoy learning too.

**Bob Milne** - September 11, 2025 at 09:33 PM

MB

Many years ago Bill designed and made jewelry. I have a blue stone pendant he gave me. I wore it recently as I visited him and he remembered it.

Ken and I had many enjoyable times at Bill and Bev's cabin on East Battle Lake. Bill always took us on a boat ride around the lake. Bev and I chose the pedal boat. The four of us loved attending the Phelps Mill Festival. Just walking around and enjoying the food is what I remember. Bill and Bev's visits to Chicago always included a day in Long Grove. The bakery was the #1 stop. Bill loved the freshly baked apple cider donuts. He and I would sit in the town square eating our donuts and people watching. That was our destination on 9/11! However, no donuts as Long Grove closed down.

I love you, Bill

Marcia

**Marcia Bugar** - September 13, 2025 at 02:09 PM