



## Stanley Irving Proctor Jr.

December 23, 1936 - January 27, 2021

Stanley I. Proctor, Jr. was born to Stanley and Eleanor [nee Seitz] Proctor on December 23, 1936, in Belleville, Illinois. He was baptized at Zion Lutheran Church on June 4, 1947, and confirmed on April 10, 1949. On June 18, 1960 he married Carol J. Kroeger. Their marriage was blessed with two children, Stephen Paul (1966-2017) and James Matthew (1969-2012). He is survived by his cousins; Kerensa Perez, Richard Geib, and Roderick Perez, as well as countless friends and colleagues whose lives he greatly enriched and immeasurably touched.

After their marriage, Stan and his family lived in Kirkwood for a time and attended the Lutheran Church of Webster Gardens, where he served as an elder and taught Adult Bible Class. In 1967 the family moved to Chesterfield and attended Trinity Lutheran Church. Pastor Strickert visited in 1968, and Stan and Carol decided to become part of the Mission Congregation that is now King of Kings Lutheran Church. Stan served King of Kings in numerous capacities over the years including Board of Education, Sunday School Superintendent, Building Committee Chairman, Lay Representative to the Missouri District Convention, Church Council Vice President, Chairman of Pastoral Care and Adult Bible Class Teacher.

Stan graduated from Washington University, St. Louis, first in 1957 with a BS degree (with honors) in Chemical Engineering. He later received an MS degree in 1962, and a D.Sc. degree in 1972, also in Chemical Engineering from Washington University, St. Louis. He was a member of the School of Engineering and Applied Sciences (SEAS) Alumni Advisory Council for many years and Chairman of the organization's Scholarship Committee. He served as the Chairman of the Advisory Committee of the Department of Chemical Engineering, an Adjunct Professor and Senior Professor. He was a member of the Advisory Committee of the Environmental, Energy and Chemical Engineering Department, and was Chairman of that department's Undergraduate Curriculum Advisory Committee. He was presented the Alumni Achievement Award in 1995, and he received the Washington University Distinguished Alumni Award in 2005. The University will be flying their flag at half staff in his honor and in recognition of his significant contributions.

He worked for Monsanto Company from 1959 until his retirement in 1993, where he served in several senior level technical and managerial assignments in Engineering, Manufacturing, Process Technology and Research & Development. That same year, he started his own technology and personnel management business, Proctor Consulting Company. Throughout his life, Stan received many recognitions and awards for the excellent work he did in the field of Chemical Engineering. He was also continually active in several professional organizations including the American Institute of Chemical Engineers (AIChE), where he was a Fellow and served as its President in 1987. In 2008, that organization named him as “One of One Hundred Chemical Engineers of the Modern Era.” The Society of Women Engineers presented him with the Rodney D. Chipp Memorial Award for his efforts to support the development of women engineers. Stan also served numerous advisory boards, committees, and foundations.

Stan was also involved in his community by serving the City of Chesterfield for many years. He was appointed to the Chesterfield Planning Commission in 2008 and was appointed its Vice-Chairman position in 2012. He was appointed as its Chairman in 2015 and served effectively in that role until his retirement in 2017.

Stan was faithful to our Lord, and openly shared his faith with others. He spent his lifetime learning and serving, but where Stan’s gifts really shone brightly was when he taught others about Jesus, books of the Bible, Christian and Lutheran heritage, and leaders of Biblical principles such as Martin Luther. Stan’s periodic teaching of the Book of Revelation was inspiring and legendary. He was a wonderful teacher impacting many who attended his Sunday morning Bible Class, the Saturday morning men’s Bible Class, and special lessons on Biblical and topical issues. He was active in his mission of sharing his vast Christian knowledge with others until the final year of his life.

Visitation will be held at King of Kings Lutheran Church, Chesterfield, MO, from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. on Friday, Feb 5, 2021. The Celebration of Life service will be held at 11 a. m. and will have limited seating due to Covid-19 restrictions. Please register to attend the service online at <https://www.kokstl.org/worship-registration> or by calling the church office at 314-469-2224. The service will be livestreamed at <https://www.kokstl.org/recent-services>.

In lieu of flowers, Stan has requested that donations be made to King of Kings Lutheran Church, Chesterfield, MO, or Washington University, St. Louis, MO or The St. Louis Zoo.

To contribute to King of Kings Lutheran Church, please mail checks to the church at 13765 Olive Blvd., Chesterfield, MO 63017 noting the contribution is in memory of Stanley Proctor.

To contribute to Washington University, please use the following link: [https://gifts.wustl.edu/?0\\_d\\_tr1=52&sc=21](https://gifts.wustl.edu/?0_d_tr1=52&sc=21).

Please fill in the Special Instructions/Comments field with "In honor of Stan Proctor. Designate to EECE annual fund." Gifts by check may be mailed to: Washington University, McKelvey Engineering, c/o Becky Pitzer, 7425 Forsyth Blvd, Suite 2555, St Louis, MO 63105. Add "Stan Proctor, EECE annual fund" in the Memo section of the check.

Stanley and Carol were generous supporters and life-time members of The St. Louis Zoo. Donations to The St. Louis Zoo can be made by check to:

Saint Louis Zoo Association

One Government Dr.

Saint Louis, MO 63110

Attn: In memory of Stanley Proctor

or

[donate@stlzoo.org](mailto:donate@stlzoo.org)

Valhalla Funeral Chapel is in charge of the arrangements.

# Cemetery

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## Bellerive Garden's Cemetery

740 N. Mason Rd  
Creve Coeur, MO, 63141

# Events

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**FEB 5** **Visitation** 10:00AM - 11:00AM  
King of Kings Lutheran Church  
13765 Olive Blvd., Chesterfield, MO, US, 63017

**FEB 5** **Funeral Ceremony** 11:00AM  
King of Kings Lutheran Church  
13765 Olive Blvd, Chesterfield, MO, US, 63017

# Comments

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“ What an amazing and honorable life and legacy! Jennifer Curtis

**Jennifer Curtis** - March 26 at 01:05 PM

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“ Stan was a colleague and friend on behalf of AIChE for many years. He was noted for his dedication, courage and devotion. If there is a single word that describes Stan, it would be "integrity". You will be missed.

James Wei

**James Wei** - March 26 at 12:03 PM

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“ Stan was a mentor to me for many years. By his example, I learned leadership, philanthropy, and passion in activities for the American Institute of Chemical Engineers. I consider him a friend and will miss him terribly.

Stan, you were a unique person, you made a huge impact on me and on the AIChE, and you will be missed. Thank you, and Rest in Peace, my friend.

Scott D. Love  
AIChE Fellow  
ConocoPhillips Fellow, retired

**Scott D Love** - March 26 at 12:01 PM

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“ Joanne Kleppe lit a candle in memory of Stanley Irving Proctor Jr.



**Joanne Kleppe** - February 06 at 11:51 PM



“ You'll always be my big brother from different parents.

**Joanne Kleppe** - February 06 at 11:52 PM



“ I have been fortunate to have had two role models in my life: my earthly birthfather and Stan. My dad fell asleep in The Lord 42 years ago. Until I met Stan in 2011, I didn't really have a fatherly role model. He became that person. My wife, who knew Stan when we attended KOK, said upon learning of his passing, "He was it for us." She says it best. He presided over the Saturday Men's Bible Study where I made good friends. I shall forever remember sitting around the Bible Study table and learning from him. We had many lunches together even after we moved from Chesterfield. I was with Stan when he lost his second son. I think of the "suffering servant" passage in Isaiah when I think of Stan. He was acquainted with grief, three times over. How he handled the darkest hours shall always remain with me. Amidst heavy grief, he hoped in Our Savior, Jesus Christ. His faith gave him unshakable hope and optimism. Here is the difference between a spiritual man and a secular man. Stan leaves a legacy that will be paid forward by many. Countless are the people over many decades who were blessed to be taught by him. He mentored me in the faith without having to use any words. Glory to God for the life of Stan.

**Rolle Walker** - February 03 at 12:09 PM



“ Such a kind man. Our family only knew him a very short time, but he was always such a joy to talk to. I enjoyed our chats in the Narthex during service when the baby was too fussy to stay quiet during sermon. He always enjoyed watching her.

**Jamie Luth** - February 02 at 08:12 PM



“ Stan was the Angel God sent to me to help me through my grief at the loss of my son. I know this because Stan's faith in our Lord gave me the example I followed then & now. I will miss Stan but I am happy that he is in the loving arms of God along with his wife and sons.  
Dennis Kaeser

Dennis Kaeser - February 02 at 05:58 PM

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“ What an extraordinary man Stan was. I could never get over how smart he was!

Stan and his wife Carol were charter members, at King of Kings, as were my parents, Mrytle and Bill Windhorst. Mom and Carol were good friends and Dad and Stan were great buds. For many of those early years my father was the adult Bible class leader. When Dad couldnt make it, Stan subbed for him. My father, at age 83, had to give up teaching and Stan took over.

Stan was a true scholar in many areas, but his knowledge of the Scriptures and the beginnings of Lutheranism was exceptional.

You will be missed, dear friend. Just knowing you are with the Lord and you are reunited with your family gives joy to all who knew you.

Till we meet again,  
Linda A. Windhorst-Ford

Linda A.Windhorst-Ford - February 02 at 02:41 PM

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“ Enduring Grace was purchased for the family of Stanley Irving Proctor Jr..



February 02 at 01:07 PM

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“ Tera Petri lit a candle in memory of Stanley Irving Proctor Jr.



**Tera Petri** - February 01 at 07:25 PM

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“ I am so blessed and honored to have had the opportunity to share these last few years soaking in Stan's epic greatness. It was a genuine honor and pure privilege that Stephen entrusted me completely with your care. You taught me so many valuable lessons about life Stan. I am truly a better person having had the chance to love you and your entire family. My heart is full knowing that you all have been reunited in eternal peace. With gratitude and love now and always. Xoxo Tera Petri

**Tera Petri** - January 30 at 02:06 PM