



Carl VanDyke

February 5, 1934 - January 24, 2021

Carl VanDyke passed away peacefully at home on January 24th, 2021. He is preceded in death by his wife Debbie Shea Lee, sister Marjorie Blair and brother Jim VanDyke. He is survived by his son Bill VanDyke (Christine), daughter Stacey Kaemmerer (Steve), and son Ronald VanDyke. Loving grandfather to Brooklyn (Holmes), Morgan, Clark, Kyle , Johnathan , and Joey. Loving uncle, brother and friend.

Carl was born in 1934 in Punxsutawney Pa. He was the St Louis Groundhog Ambassador for Punxsutawney Phil. He was part of the 1951-52 Punxsutawney Men's Basketball team that went undefeated. He then attended Wilkes College and played soccer and basketball and was nominated for All American honors. He was inducted into the Punxsutawney Sports Hall of Fame.

After teaching in Punxsutawney for a few years after college, he worked for RCA in both Canada and New Jersey and then moved to Missouri . He retired from Maritz, where he worked in computer programming.

He enjoyed many wonderful trips but his favorite was the family fishing trip to Rockbridge Trout Ranch. 35 consecutive years. Family will be having a private ceremony at Rockbridge in the future. His smile and sense of humor are already missed .

In lieu of flowers , we request gifts for SCBC Grace for the Heart of Africa initiative in Carl's name . There is a direct link online where you can select Grace for the heart of Africa at Donate or by sending your memorial directly to

South County Bible Church in his name for Grace for the Heart of Africa at
4111 Von Talge Road St Louis Mo 63128

Services are private.

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Tribute Wall

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“ *Uncle Bud was always so much fun! He was a great photographer and took many pictures of my sister and I when we were little. He always had fun adventures planned for us when we visited. Whenever he and his family moved for work, we would have a new place to visit. St. Louis, Montreal, and Cherry Hill were some that I remember. He was greatly loved and will be missed even more!!*

Patti J. Spinelli - April 09, 2021 at 05:30 PM

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“ *My husband and I both worked with Carl at Maritz. He was a kind person. We both talk about Carl this time of year, "Groundhog Day", because of the groundhog cookies made by his wife that he shared with us at work. So sorry for your loss, Vicki & Don Fieser*

Vicki - February 03, 2021 at 04:21 PM

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“ *I always enjoyed Carl's company and his quick wit. We had a lot of fun working together on the Robinwood West Improvement Assoc. board. Socially Doris and I shared fun times with Carl and Debbie with our Dinner Group gatherings followed by a friendly game of pool. Nice memories.*

Larry Landholt

Larry Landholt - January 31, 2021 at 08:52 AM

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“ I was class of 60. I remember him as a handsome teacher, and a sponsor of camera club, showing us how to develop our pictures. Also have a memory of him at the Punxsy Country Club. He was a really nice guy. May God comfort and strengthen his family now, and in the days to come.

Andrea (Fostiak) Hicks - January 30, 2021 at 09:13 PM

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“ Class of 59 sponsor. Such a wonderful person. My deepest sympathy. Nora Pifer Whirl

Nora Pifer Whirl - January 30, 2021 at 04:14 PM

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Stacey Kaemmerer - January 28, 2021 at 03:21 PM