

Earl Vincent Berglund, the son of John and Agnes (Erickson) Berglund, was born in Alexandria, MN on February 4, 1931. Earl grew up in Alexandria where he enjoyed playing sports, hunting and graduated from Central High School in 1949. Earl married his high school sweetheart Donna White from Osakis, MN. They were united in marriage on June 2, 1951 at the First Presbyterian Church in Osakis. Earl served in the United States Army and he was stationed in Alabama. They returned to Minnesota and lived near Alexandria. Eventually they settled in Brooklyn Park, MN. Earl and Donna had four children Barb, Joe, Pat, and Tim. Earl was a proud union electrician and worked in the Minneapolis area for many years.

However, the Alexandria area was always home to Earl and Donna. In the late 60's they built a cabin on Lake Carlos. After a fire in 1991, they constructed a beautiful lake home and retired to Lake Carlos in 1993. Earl loved the lake, his pole barn, being in the woods, cruising on his pontoon, driving his 4-wheeler, cutting wood and sitting on their patio overlooking the lake watching sunsets with a fire in the pit. This lake home became a place his children, grandchildren, and great grandchildren loved.

Earl was a great husband, father, grandfather, great grandfather and a role model to those who knew him. He created everlasting memories for his family. He took his kids and grandchildren snowmobiling, let them race around on motorcycles, pulled them behind the 4-wheeler on sleds, cut trails in the woods to run the go cart, pulled them water skiing and had fun.

Earl was a devoted and caring husband. He loved Donna and spending time together. They were truly a match made in heaven. He was a hardworking man, loved life and his family. He will forever be in our hearts.

Earl V. Berglund died on Wednesday, April 11, 2018 at Knute Nelson at the age of 87. He is survived by his loving wife of 66 years Donna Berglund; sons, Joe (Sharon) Berglund of Maple Grove and Tim (Susan) Berglund of Lake Carlos; daughters, Barb Fisher of Apache Junction, AZ and Pat (Jeff) Berg of Maple Grove; grandchildren, Chris (Randy) Saulsbury of New Munich, MN, Jim (Shane) Fisher of Hamilton, MT, Kristin Berglund of St. Michael, Briana Berglund of Minneapolis, and Eric Berg of St. Paul; seven great grandchildren; many nieces and nephews. Earl was preceded in death by his parents, brothers, Orrin and John and his sisters, Gayle, Phyllis, and June.

A funeral service was held on Monday, April 16, 2018 at Calvary Lutheran Church in Alexandria, MN. Interment was at the Carlos Prairie Cemetery. Casket Bearers were Joe Berglund, Tim Berglund, Jeff Berg, Eric Berg, Randy Saulsbury and Cole Saulsbury.

## *The Day God Called You Home*

*God looked around His garden  
and found an empty space.*

*Then He looked down upon the earth  
and saw your tired face.*

*He put his arms around you,  
lifted you to rest.*

*God's garden must be beautiful,  
for He only takes the best.*

*He knew that you were suffering.  
He knew you were in pain.*

*He saw the road was getting rough,  
and the hills were hard to climb.*

*So He closed your weary eyes,  
and whispered, "Peace be thine".*

*It broke our hearts to lose you,  
but you did not go alone.*

*For part of us went with you,  
the day God called you home.*

## *In Memory of* **Earl V. Berglund**

February 4, 1931



April 11, 2018



**Funeral Service**  
Calvary Lutheran Church  
Alexandria, Minnesota  
Monday, April 16, 2018  
11:00 AM

**Officiant**  
Reverend Nathan Thompson

**Musician**  
Kim Byrne

### **Casket Bearers**

Joe Berglund	Tim Berglund
Jeff Berg	Eric Berg
Randy Saulsbury	Cole Saulsbury

**Military Honors**  
American Legion Post 87  
Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 936  
VVA Rifle Squad Chapter 235  
Marine Corps League Detachment 1409  
Minnesota National Honor Guard

**Interment**  
Carlos Prairie Cemetery  
Carlos, Minnesota