

**Gerald LeRoy Werner** was born on March 3, 1937, the son of Herbert and Florence (Wegner) Werner in St. Paul, MN. Jerry graduated from Alexander Ramsey High School in 1955, and then he and two buddies hitch-hiked to San Diego, CA and enlisted in the United States Marine Corp to ensure they would be "Hollywood" Marines.

After an honorable discharge from the U.S. Marines, Jerry returned to St. Paul where he attended one year at Hamline University. He then began his career in the electronics field at various businesses around the Twin Cities for 12 years.

Jerry married Sherry Tellin on July 12, 1968. The couple lived in St. Paul, MN and eventually moved to Colorado.

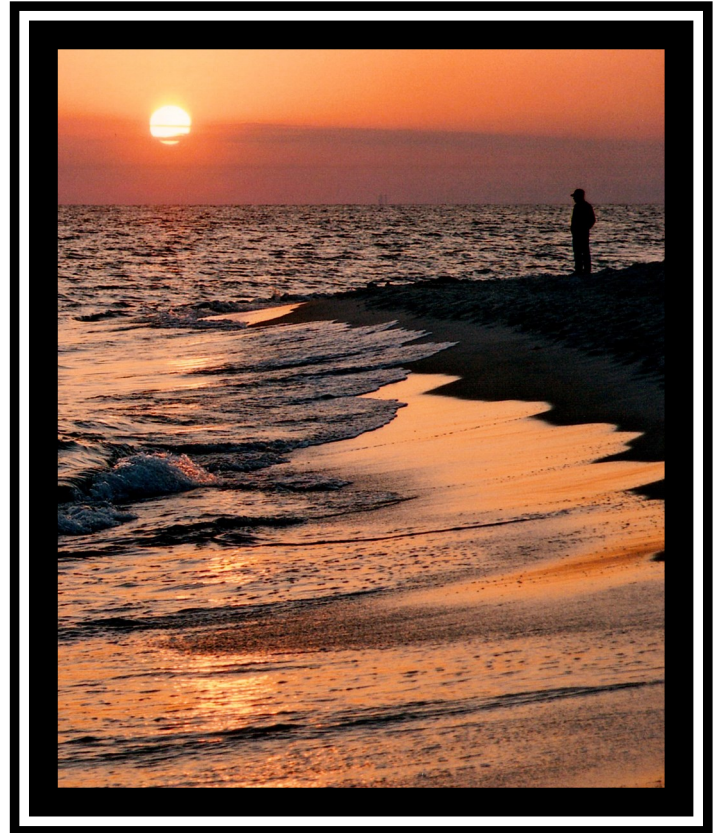
In 1971, Jerry graduated from the Colorado Law Enforcement Training Academy in Glenwood Springs, CO. He began his law enforcement career with the Weld County Sheriff's Office headquartered in Greeley, CO. He was then hired in 1975, by the Douglas County Sheriff's Office in Alexandria, MN. He was a member of the SWAT team, a graduate of the FBI-NAA in Quantico, VA, and attended numerous retraining sessions over the course of his career. He retired as a Detective Sergeant in 1997.

Jerry and Sherry moved to Florida, where Jerry became a Florida Community Association Manager. He managed a high-rise condo on the beach in Panama City Beach, FL. After deciding they wanted more time to explore the country, they began several years of full-time RVing. They loved to travel and visited almost every state in the country and seven foreign countries, including Germany, Belgium, Luxembourg, France, England, Canada and Mexico.

Jerry was an early riser and had an extraordinary positive attitude to start every day. He liked to snowmobile, deer hunt, fish, take trips to the Boundary Waters and canoe. Jerry was a dedicated husband, father, grandfather and great grandfather. He loved joking with his grandkids and will be remembered by always singing, "I am my own Grandpa", "Black Denim Trousers" and "Hot Rod Lincoln".

Jerry L. Werner died on Friday, August 9, 2019, with his family by his side under the care of Knute Nelson Hospice at Knute Nelson in Alexandria at the age of 82 years old. He is survived by his loving wife of 51 years, Sherry Werner of Alexandria; son, Steven (Corinne) Werner of Alexandria, VA; daughters, April (Greg) Paul of Cottage Grove, Robin (Tim) Werner of Cottage Grove, Nicole Werner-Torgrimson of Alexandria, and Natalie (Kenny) Goodwin of Alexandria; 12 grandchildren; 14 great grandchildren; brother, Ron (Karen) Werner of Rochester; nephew, Lance (Janet) Werner of Brooklyn Park; brother-in-law, Howard R. Tellin of Cottage Grove. He was preceded in death by his parents, infant brother, sister-in-law, Barbara Tellin, and a nephew Brett Werner.

## In Loving Memory



## Gerald LeRoy Werner 1937 - 2019

### *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*

### **Gerald LeRoy Werner**

March 3, 1937



August 9, 2019

#### **Memorial Service**

Anderson Funeral Home Chapel

Alexandria, Minnesota

Friday, August 16, 2019

2:00 PM

#### **Officiants**

Reverend Michael Peterson

Chaplin Deb Hadley

#### **Soloist**

Paula Odland

#### **Eulogies**

Bill Ingebrigtsen

Brad Lake

#### **Interment**

Fort Snelling National Cemetery

Minneapolis, Minnesota

#### **Military Honors**

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