

Psalm of a Waterfowler



*Blessed is the waterfowler.
He leadeth me into mud
over my boot tops,
and causeth my weapons to rust.*

*He disturbeth my slumbers,
detroyeth my budget,
yet bondeth my family life.*

*He maketh me to lie down in wet cattails
to the misery of my aching joints and cold feet.*

*My cup runneth over with rainwater,
and soggy sandwiches sustain me
through duckless days.*

*Yea, though he leadeth me down
the sloughs of despair and frustration,
He restores my soul,*

*And I shall follow him gladly
all the days of my life. "*

Arrangements By
Peterson Brothers Funeral Home
"Celebrating A Life Remembered"

In Loving Memory Of

Duane B. Mayer

December 16, 1941
Pine River, Minnesota

October 10, 2023
St. Cloud, Minnesota

Mass of Christian Burial

Monday, October 16, 2023 - 11:00 a.m.

Church of St. Mary
Willmar, Minnesota

Celebrant

Fr. Steve Verhelst

Readers

Mark Mayer KariLynn Powell Grace Mayer

Music

Pianist & Vocalist: Tim Cayler

Gathering Song: "Here I Am Lord"

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 116 – "The Name of God"

Preparation of the Gifts: "The Old Rugged Cross"

Communion: "On Eagles Wings"

Song of Farewell: "The Hand of God Shall Hold You"

Going Forth: "How Great Thou Art"

Urn Bearer

John Weckman

Interment

St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery
Willmar, Minnesota

Duane Buckley Mayer was born on December 16, 1941, in Pine River, Minnesota, the son of Robert and Rosella (Stehr) Mayer. He grew up in the country between Pine River and Longville and graduated from Longville High School in 1959. Following high school, Duane moved to St. Paul and began work as a clerk with the Great Northern Railroad in August of 1959. On September 8, 1962, Duane was united in marriage to Evelyn Marie Veach at the Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Oelwein, Iowa. This union was blessed with four children, Deborah, Patricia, Dwight and Mark. The family made their home in St. Paul and St. Croix Beach. In 1972, Duane was transferred with the Burlington Northern Railroad to Willmar and retired in 2002. He was a member of the Church of St. Mary, the Knights of Columbus and the Transportation Communication Union. Duane enjoyed hunting, fishing, woodworking, traveling with his wife and spending time with his family, especially his granddaughters and great grandchildren.

He is survived by his loving wife of over 61 years, Evelyn; his four children, Deborah (and John) Weckman of Spicer, Patricia (and Mike) Schmidt of Willmar, Dwight (and Laura) Mayer of Appleton and Mark (and Nancy) Mayer of Frederic, WI.; four granddaughters, Amy Schwab, Sarah Doesken, KariLynn (and Gideon) Powell and Grace Mayer (and fiancé, Zach); six great grandchildren and two sisters, Benetta (and Manley) Olson of North Branch and Linda (and Dave) Lusthoff of Goose Creek, SC., besides other relatives and many friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents and two brothers, Dwight and Garry.

Duane B. Mayer

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