

**Edward Charles Davidge Jr.**, the son of Edward Sr. and Betty (Muck) Davidge, was born on August 3, 1944, in Minneapolis, MN. Ed grew up in Hopkins, MN where he graduated high school in 1962. He continued his education at Mankato State University where he was a successful member of the Judo Martial Art team. He graduated from MSU with a degree in Biology. During his senior year Ed met his wife Lois Lindholm and after graduating they were united in marriage on October 1, 1966 at Zumbro Lutheran Church in Rochester, MN. Two children were born to this marriage: Eric and Christine.

After college while working as a pharmaceutical sales rep, Ed and Lois lived in Chicago, IL, Flint, MI and then White Bear Lake, MN. Ed made a change in his career path and began working for Merrill Lynch as a Financial Advisor. In 1975, Ed had the opportunity to work for a company in Brainerd, MN. He worked extremely hard and built his business to become a top performer throughout the company before retiring in 2000.

Ed's strong work ethic enabled him to succeed in business, but it also gave him the drive to help others and volunteer his time for great causes. Ed was member of the Brainerd Masonic Lodge, Auroara Lodge 100. He also was a member of the Shriners Club in Brainerd. Ed generously gave to both of these organizations. He was also a key member of Paul Bunyan Ducks Unlimited in Brainerd, MN.

When Ed was not working hard, he was playing hard. He became a runner and ran in multiple marathons and triathlons. He loved to hunt, fish, and play golf. The most important part of Ed's life was his family. To Ed's children and grandchildren, he was a wonderful man. He embodied everything how life should be lived to the fullest. Loving, caring, supporter, and great teacher are just a few words to describe Ed. He will be missed by all who knew and loved him.

Ed C. Davidge died on Tuesday, November 3, 2020 at Knute Nelson in Alexandria at the age of 76 years old. He is survived by his loving wife of 54 years, Lois Davidge of Alexandria; son, Eric (Julie) Davidge of Brainerd; daughter, Christine Davidge of Backus; seven grandchildren, Kayelee (Jack) Freeman of Brainerd, Mackenzie Davidge of Duluth, Avery Davidge of St. Paul, Keegan Davidge of Brainerd, Jason Rivers of Henning, Grace Rivers of Hampton, VA, and David Rivers of Backus; great grandson, J.P. Freeman of Brainerd; brother, Geoff (Martha) Davidge of Cross Lake; sister, Linda (Jerald) Quenemoen of The Village, FL; nieces, nephews, and cousins.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

### **Footprints In The Sand**

*One night a man had a dream. He dreamed he was walking along the beach with the Lord. Across the sky flashed scenes from his life. For each scene, he noticed two sets of footprints in the sand; one belonging to him, and the other to the Lord. When the last scene of his life flashed before him, he looked back at the footprints in the sand. He noticed that many times along the path of his life there was one set of footprints. He also noticed that it happened at the very lowest and saddest times in his life. This really bothered him and he questioned the Lord about it. "Lord, you said that once I decided to follow you, you'd walk with me all the way. But I have noticed that during the most troublesome times in my life, there is only one set of footprints. I don't understand why when I needed you most you would leave me." The Lord replied, "My precious, precious child, I love you and I would never leave you. During the times of trial and suffering, when you see only one set of footprints, it was then that I carried you."*

*In Memory of*

## **Edward "Ed" Davidge**

August 3, 1944 † November 3, 2020

**Graveside Service**  
Kinkead Cemetery  
Alexandria, Minnesota  
Monday, November 9, 2020  
1:00 PM

**Officiant**  
Hans Dahl

**Special Music**  
"You Raise Me Up"  
"Borning Cry"  
"Go Rest High On That Mountain"