

Celebrating THE *Life* OF
Paul Matthew Bursik

July 20, 1930
Omaha, Nebraska

January 13, 2022
Detroit Lakes, Minnesota

Funeral Service

Thursday, April 22, 2022 ~ 2:00 p.m.
Congregational United Church of Christ~ Detroit Lakes, Minnesota

Officiant

Reverend Mark Kuether

Congregational Music

“Wings of the Dawn”

“In the Bulb There is a Flower”

The Congregational Choir– Nick Larson, Director
Misty Casey, Pianist

Brass Quartet

“A Closer Walk with Thee”

“When the Saints come Marching in ”

Greg Johnson Russ Kadow
Paul Legenhausen Marty Wiley

Urn Bearers

Molly Burns Matt Burns

Honorary Pall Bearers

Phil Johnson Gary Kleingartener

Bernie Larson Mike Nustad

Dale Solheim Dick Wilson

Paul M. Bursik, 91 died peacefully at his home on January 13, 2022. Paul was born on July 20, 1930, to Ludwig and Ida Bursik in Omaha, Nebraska. He attended grade and high school there and graduated from the University of Nebraska at Omaha, in 1952, he married Donna Fada, his wife of 70 years.

He entered the U.S. Navy during the Korean conflict and later retired with the rank of Lieutenant commander.

Following military service, he joined Northwestern Bell Telephone Company and for 30 years worked in Nebraska and North Dakota in the areas of public relations, Personnel, consumer affairs and governmental relations. He and his wife retired to their lake home in Detroit Lakes, MN in 1985.

Throughout his life, Mr. Bursik was active in church, business, and community affairs. During retirement, he provided significant leadership in his church, environmental matters, charitable organizations, the business community, and regional library organizations.

He is survived by his wife, Donna Bursik, his daughter Jennifer (Garry) Butcher, Colorado Springs, CO, his son Jeff (Tricia) Bursik, Longmont, CO, two grandchildren, Mollie Burns and Mathew (Brianna) Burns and three great grandchildren Payton and Kennedy Rose Burns and Jacoa Nation.

During his life, Mr. Bursik enjoyed every day seeing each as a gift from God. He felt blessed by his family and friends and always looked at the positive side of life around him. He said on more than one occasion that his goal was to make a difference with his life... and he did.