

Marland LeRoy Madson was born on August 1, 1930, the first child of Harold and Linnea (Warling) Madson, in Saint James, MN. He was baptized in the Norwegian Lutheran Church and confirmed in the First Lutheran Church. During his school years he worked on the family dairy farm and was active in 4-H. He graduated from Butterfield School as Salutatorian in 1948.

After graduating in 1952 from St. Olaf College he was drafted and served two years in the United States Army. From 1955 to 1964 he taught in the Alexandria Public Schools. It was there that he met Grace Carlstrom, a receptionist in the Superintendent's office. They were married at First English Lutheran Church of Alexandria on July 29, 1956 and together they had three sons and one daughter.

During the next five years he received two Masters Degrees and a PhD. He returned to St. Olaf in 1969 where he taught in and chaired the Department of Biology until his retirement in 1993. Every summer of his married life, Marland, Grace and family lived on Lake Darling in Alexandria where he designed and built golf courses and managed all outdoor recreational activities at the Darling Dude Ranch, which later became the Arrowwood Resort and Conference Center. After retiring from Arrowwood in 1988 he and Grace continued to spend each summer on Lake Darling until 2016.

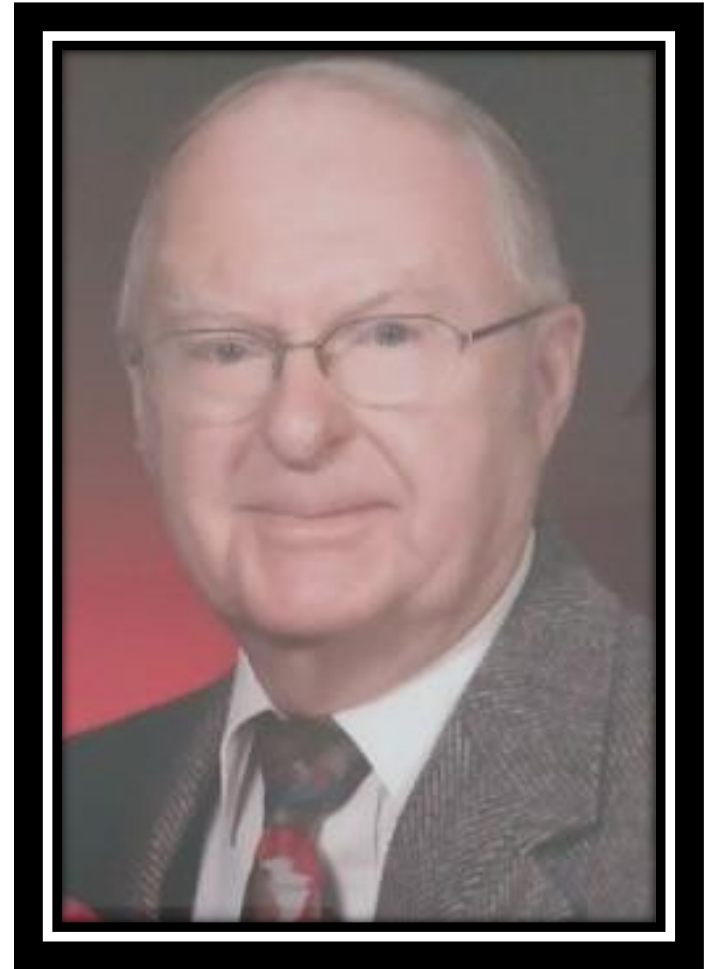
Marland always considered himself a sinner saved by grace and attempted to direct his life around three principles: Continue to develop spiritual growth and love for his Savior Jesus; continue to provide opportunities that would increase merited love and respect from his wife and children; and, in the eyes and minds of his many students, be an excellent teacher and an example of living a Christian life.

Marland moved back to Alexandria in August of this year to be closer to his family and felt like he had "come home." His family was blessed to be with him daily until his death.

He is survived by three brothers (Howard, Chuck, and Claire), four children, Tim (Heidi), John, Barbara (Stephen), Matthew (Stephanie) and five grandchildren (Emily, Olivia, Ethan, Noah and Isabella). He was preceded in death by his parents, his wife Grace, sister Marjorie, brother DuWayne and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral Service will be held on Wednesday, November 24, 2021, 11:00 a.m. at Mount Carmel Ministries Chapel with visitation one hour prior. Burial will be at Kinkead Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, please consider donating to Knute Nelson Hospice or Mount Carmel Ministries. The family wishes to thank the wonderful and caring staff of Grand Arbor and Knute Nelson Hospice for the outstanding care that Marland received.

Remembering the Life Of



Marland "Marly" Madson

1930 - 2021

*For everything there is a season, and a time for every
matter under heaven:*

A time to be born, and a time to die;

A time to plant,

and a time to pluck up what is planted;

A time to kill, and a time to heal;

A time to break down, and a time to build up;

A time to weep, and a time to laugh;

A time to mourn, and a time to dance;

*A time to cast away stones, and a time to gather
stones together;*

*A time to embrace, and a time to refrain from
embracing;*

A time to seek, and a time to lose;

A time to keep, and a time to cast away;

A time to tear, and a time to sew;

A time to keep silence, and a time to speak;

A time to love, and a time to hate;

A time for war, and a time for peace.

Ecclesiastes 3:1-8

In Loving Memory Of

Marland “Marly” Madson

August 1, 1930 † November 17, 2021

Funeral Service

Mount Carmel Ministries Chapel

Alexandria, Minnesota

Wednesday, November 24, 2021

11:00 AM

Officiant

Pastor Johan Hinderlie

Pianist

Connie Burghuis

Musical Selections By

Chordsmen & Bev Steuck

Tim & Emily Madson

Barbara Madden

