

Edward "Eddie" Dummer ~ Born July 1, 1943 to Edward and Gertrude (Posl) Dummer in Bird Island, MN. Eddie graduated from St. Mary's Catholic School in Bird Island, MN in 1961.

Eddie grew up on the family farm in Bird Island, MN which he purchased from his dad, and is now a Century Farm that has been passed on to their three sons. After graduation he worked various jobs in ag related fields and when he injured his back, he attended Willmar Technical College where he enrolled in the Farm Business program and later that training brought him to Donnelly, MN where he became General Manager of the Donnelly Co-op. Here he met his wife Patti. They were married on July 26, 1975 and continued to live in and work in Donnelly for the next 16 years. During this time in Donnelly Eddie was instrumental in the construction of a 'new' Donnelly Co-op building. Eddie had numerous other jobs that he dabbled in, Kleespie Tank and Petroleum, several interim Manager positions, driving the zamboni at Blizzard games and managing the ice at RCC for the curling leagues. The curlers often praised and complimented Eddie for his expertise in 'pebbling the ice'. He was proud of that.

Three of his "major accomplishments" were the 3 amazing boys, now grown men, that he helped raise: Eric, Jeremy and Justin. Some years down the road, he inherited some amazing 'daughters' as well: Katie and Pam. They added some grandchildren to our family. Kylee and Alexis, Tristan, Devin and Dayton.

Eddie retired "but not really" in 2000 or there in? It's hard to pin-point that date down, as he always seemed to have a job and kept on working. Alex Golf Course, Elden's Grocery, RCC, the FUN jobs in his life. He was most proud of being a Master Gardener, which meant taking courses online, which Eddie always would say 'I don't do computers very well, can you make me a copy and send the information to me'. He also became involved with the Douglas County Fair committee and was Superintendent of the Horticulture Building during the County Fair. In the Spring the "Let's Get Growing" seminar would be a day-long event with vendors and speakers to get people in the mood for 'planting season'. It was an event he was very much a part of and wanted others to be as enthusiastic about gardening and growing things as he was. Eddie was recognized as Outstanding Master Gardener Volunteer of 2020. He has volunteered with Master Gardener since 2001 and was selected for this award unanimously by his fellow volunteers.

Eddie was also involved as an usher at the church he attended regularly and also helped on the men's funeral luncheon committee when asked. Eddie was a member of the Knights of Columbus and helped with Bingo on Sunday nights. He was a veteran of the Army National Guard where he was based out of Olivia, MN. His name is inscribed at the Veterans Memorial Park here in Alexandria.

Eddie died peacefully at his home, on Lake Darling. He and Patti often joked that although they have enjoyed lake life since 1980, owning a cabin at that time, and later in 1998 building their retirement home, that neither of them ever learned how to swim. Eddie never prized himself on being an avid fisherman. BUT, they loved listening and watching others enjoying the lake and sharing their home with others, especially on the 4th of July, when Arrowwood would have their annual fireworks on display. Friends and family would often find their way up their driveway with a lawn chair in hand and were showed the way to the lake.

Eddie is survived by his loving wife Patti, sons, Eric & friend Melissa, grandsons Devin & Dayton Dummer ~ Jeremy & Pam & grandson Tristan Schultz ~ Justin & Katie & granddaughters, Kylee & Alexis Dummer; brothers: Jerry & Elaine ~ Roger & Donna ~ Eldy & Lee ~ Doug & Chris ~ Donnie, Sister-in-law Bev Dummer ~ sisters Janice & husband Gary Abraham, Sister MaryLou Dummer OSB. He was preceded in death by his parents and infant brother Robert and brother Richard.

Remembering The Life of



Edward Michael Dummer

1943 - 2020

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 Loving Memory of

Edward "Eddie" Dummer

July 1, 1943 † October 28, 2020

Prayer Service

Anderson Funeral Home
Alexandria, Minnesota
Saturday, October 31, 2020,
6:30 PM

Officiant

Father Steve Binsfeld

Musical Selections By

Laurie Youngers

Entombment

St. Mary's Cemetery
Alexandria, Minnesota

