



Keith Allan Olson

June 8, 1930 - September 6, 2015

Keith Allan Olson was born on June 8, 1930 in Minneapolis, Minnesota the son of Carl B. and Signe A. (Fondeen) Olson. Keith was raised in Minneapolis and became a 1949 graduate of Washburn High School in Minneapolis. Prior to graduation he was a messenger for the Citizens Defense Corps, and during the Minneapolis air raid drills of World War II in conjunction with the Boy Scouts of America. Keith was united in marriage to Joan Peterson in 1955. Keith graduated from the Minneapolis school of Art with a Bachelor of Arts degree in 1954 and in 1963 the Dale Carnegie course. Keith served as a commercial artist in Minneapolis for 17 years, and then was an instructor at the Alexandria Technical College for 27 years. Most of his students acquired excellent professional employment including one student who is employed with the Disney Corporation. The students also designed the logo for the Alexandria Medical Clinic and the Douglas County Hospital. Many businesses and organizations utilized Keith's professional ability. During his time of service he was also honored by Alexandria Technical College, as an honoree of the Care Connection. He also had many hobbies and interests, among them fishing, camping, gardening, the Minnesota Vikings, and also his tremendous toy train sets. Keith's wife Joan died on March 24, 2003 in Alexandria. On July 23, 2005 he was united in marriage to Mary Lou Green in Alexandria. Mary Lou and Keith enjoyed living at the Windmill Ponds, including the various activities the Ponds offered.

At the age of 85, Keith died and went to heaven on Sunday, September 6, 2015 at the

Knute Nelson Subacute Unit. He is preceded in death by his first wife, Joan Olson and his second wife, Mary Lou Olson. He is survived by his sons, Keith David (Lisa) Olson, Michael Frank (Jamie) Olson, Mark Allan (Kay) Olson, Peter (Kirsten) Olson, and Toby Olson; daughters, Kimberly (Jonathan) Meyer, and Mia (Frank Dietrich) Olson; numerous grandchildren and great grandchildren.

A funeral service will take place this Friday, September 11, 2015 at 1:00 PM at First Lutheran Church in Alexandria, Minnesota. A visitation will take place on Thursday, September 10, 2015 from 4:00PM to 7:00 PM, at the Anderson Funeral Home. A visitation will also take place one hour prior to funeral service at the church the day of the service. Interment will take place at Carlos Prairie Cemetery, Carlos, MN.

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP **10**. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Anderson Funeral Home and Crematory
659 Voyager Drive NW
Alexandria, MN 56308
(320) 763-5900
mail@andersonfuneral.net
<https://www.andersonfuneral.net/>

Visitation

SEP **11**. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (CT)

First Lutheran Church
822 Douglas Street
Alexandria, MN 56308

Funeral Service

SEP **11**. 1:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ 92 files added to the album Life Tributes



Anderson Funeral Home - September 09, 2015 at 07:32 PM

MJ

“ Myron Sahlberg, Craig Bjerke, Paul Johnson purchased the Florist Choice Bouquet for the family of Keith Allan Olson.



Myron Sahlberg, Craig Bjerke, Paul Johnson - September 09, 2015 at 05:56 PM

LS

“ We first met Keith the day we moved into Windmill Ponds. We shared a table with Keith for our meals. He was such a joy to talk with. He told us of after his wife had passed away how he met another woman here and they decided to get married. Their wedding vows were exchanged in the dining room here under the water fountain which at that time was in the center of the room. What a sweet story. He is very Dear to our hearts and I am so glad we got to know him. Just wish he could have been here longer. He will be missed by all his friends here and we will probably miss him most of all. He was such a sweet guy. we will always treasure the memories we have of him. Red & Leona (Lee) Schneider

Leona Schneider - September 08, 2015 at 06:37 PM

TR

“ Toby & Roxanne purchased the Fairest of All for the family of Keith Allan Olson.



Toby & Roxanne - September 07, 2015 at 11:47 AM

JO

“ Jeanne Olson lit a candle in memory of Keith Allan Olson



Jeanne Olson - September 06, 2015 at 06:26 PM

JO

Our sympathies to the Olson family.

Jeanne Olson - September 06, 2015 at 06:26 PM

KD

Thank you! ❤️ (Kristi dean-grand daughter of Keith)

kristi dean - September 07, 2015 at 02:37 PM

LS

Our deepest sympathy to all the Olson family!

leona Schneider - September 09, 2015 at 09:33 AM

FN

Keith's wife, Mary Lou, was my sister-in-law, so I met Keith that way. He had a lot of talents and interests, so you could always find something to talk about with him. Will not forget him. Deepest sympathy to his kids & their families.

Frank Nielsen - September 11, 2015 at 02:53 PM