



William Hugh Ooley

February 25, 1944 - December 1, 2024

William Hugh Ooley, age 80 of Darwin, died Sunday, December 1, 2024, at his residence. A memorial service will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Monday, January 6, 2025, at All Saints Lutheran Church in Darwin with Pastor Joe Midthun officiating. The interment of the urn will be held later at Fort Snelling National Cemetery in Minneapolis.

A time to gather with the family will be held one hour prior to the service on Monday, January 6, 2025, at All Saints Lutheran Church in Darwin.

The Johnson Funeral Home in Dassel is in charge of the memorial arrangements. In lieu of flowers the family asks that you provide a donation to the Wounded Warrior Project at <https://www.woundedwarriorproject.org/>.

William Hugh Ooley, the son of Klyce and Lena (Nelson) Ooley, was born on February 25, 1944, in San Luis Obispo, California. William was baptized and confirmed in the Christian faith and was a member of All Saints Lutheran Church in Darwin at the time of his death. William grew up in Plainview, Texas where he graduated from Plainview High School in 1962.

On June 5, 1964, William was inducted into the United States Army and served his country until March 6, 1967.

On April 6, 1968, William was united in marriage to Beverly Larson in Thief River Falls, Minnesota. Together they made their home in the Twin Cities Area where William was employed at the Metropolitan Airports Commission working in Field Maintenance at the Minneapolis Saint Paul Airport. William and Beverly moved to a home on the shores of Lake Washington where they enjoyed nature and watching the sunsets. For the past ten years William and Beverly have spent winters in Florida. He loved to tell stories, talk to people, enjoyed reading, going to plays and movies, and crossword puzzles. He enjoyed family get together's and holidays, especially Christmas. He was also a member of the Darwin Rod and Gun Club. He could often be found detailing and caring for his vehicles, which were always kept in immaculate condition. He was a hardworking, loving, and wise man who cared for his wife, children, grandchildren with his whole heart who will be deeply missed.

He is survived by his wife, Beverly Ooley of Darwin, sons, Nathan (Laura) Ooley of Port Charlotte, Florida, and Peter Ooley (Keely Wolter) of Richfield, Minnesota, twelve grandchildren, and a brother, Jack Ooley (Traci Barnes) of Portland, Oregon.

He was preceded in death by his son, Adam, and his parents, Klyce and Lena Ooley.

Cemetery Details

Fort Snelling National Veterans Cemetery

7601 34th Ave S.
Minneapolis, MN 55450

Previous Events

Time to gather with family

JAN 6. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

All Saints Lutheran Church
118 1st St, Darwin
Darwin, MN 55324

Memorial Service

JAN 6. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

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“ *My husband met Bill and Bev one day walking their dog past our home on the north side of Lake Washington in Early 2000. He invited them in, we had coffee and have been friends ever since. We even followed them to the south side of Lake Washington some years later! Bill ALWAYS liked to give me a hard time...but always with a sparkle in his eye. Miss you, my friend! Say HI to my hubby Dick for me when you meet him at the Pearly Gates!*

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