



Raymond R. Olmstead

December 26, 1936 - June 14, 2008

St. Paul, Minnesota - Raymond R. Olmstead, age 71, of St. Paul, Minnesota, formerly of Mattoon, passed away of a stroke on Saturday, June 14, 2008 in St. Paul. \r\n\r\nThe funeral services in his honor will be held at 2:30 p.m., Friday, June 20th at Mitchell-Jerdan Funeral Home, 1200 Wabash Avenue, Mattoon, Illinois. Internment will be at Aten Cemetery, Hidalgo, IL immediately following the service. Visitation will be from 12:00 until service time at the funeral home. \r\n\r\nBorn December 26, 1936 in Toledo, Illinois, Mr. Olmstead is the son of William E.M. and Sylvia M. Olmstead. He is a graduate of Eastern Illinois University where he met his wife Eleanor Hutson Olmstead. They started their careers as music educators in Altamont, Illinois, moved to Mattoon Illinois, where Mr. Olmstead took a position with Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance Company. \r\n\r\n In 1981, Raymond and Eleanor moved to St. Paul, Minnesota, and Raymond became the General Agent of Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance Company in the St. Paul Office. He retired in 1993. \r\n\r\nHe is survived by Eleanor A. Hutson Olmstead, wife of 48 years; a son, Brent Olmstead (Beth); a daughter Robin Olmstead McGuire (Michael) and their daughter Laurie McFaul (Brad); and 7 grandchildren Vivian, Robert and William Olmstead, Maeve and Miles McGuire, and Alexander and Evan McFaul. He is also survived by 2 brothers, Richard Olmstead of El Paso, TX and William E. Olmstead (Lola) of Rockford IL; and 3 sisters, Mildred Culver of El Paso, TX, Norma Stuart (Roy) of New Lenox, IL and Wanda Martin of Bloomington, IL. \r\n\r\nContributions in memory of

Raymond may be made through the American Stroke Association, 952-278-7903.
Please visit www.mitchell-jerdan.com to light a candle or share a memory with the family.

Tribute Wall



“ *Raymond R. Olmstead*

October 08, 2023 at 07:40 PM



“ *DEAR ELEANOR AND FAMILY\r\nSO SORRY TO HEAR OF RAYMOND'S PASSING. HE WAS A GREAT BAND DIRECTOR AND TEACHER. I HAVE MANY FOND MEMORIES OF MY DAYS IN BAND AND CHORUS. KEEPING YOU IN MY THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS.*

DEB SCHULTZ , ACHS CLASS OF '72 - June 23, 2008 at 08:54 AM



“ *Thinking of you and your family at this time with the loss of your husband,father,and grandfather, Mr. Olmstead. I was in the class of 1964 at Altamont High School.I have a lot of good memories of band practice and our trips.*

Barbara Verdeyen Stewart - June 19, 2008 at 07:05 PM



“ *We are sorry to hear of the passing of Mr. Olmstead. Hearing this brought back many good time at ACHS(class of 67).\r\n*

Roger & Claudia (Goers) Berg - June 19, 2008 at 11:24 AM

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“ Eleanor and family, So sorry to hear about Ray. Many fond memories of your band and choral days. We also have Ray to thank for getting us on our wonderful trip to Europe. D. R. had broken his arm and was off work--we took the money that he made selling Mass Mutual and took our trip. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.

D. R. and Pat Caldwell - June 18, 2008 at 05:30 PM

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“ I always enjoyed conversations with Raymond. Even though he had not lived in Toledo for many years, a portion of his heart remained here.

Carol Jo Fritts - June 18, 2008 at 12:54 PM