

A Life of Service

Jerry Lindahl, 89, of Roseville, MN realized a life-long dream when he got to meet Jesus face-to-face on Dec. 27, 2022. He was, as he often said in the past few years of his life, "ready to go," but not because he was uninterested in his life on Earth; he was just becoming more interested in his next adventure.

Jerry grew up in Berkeley, CA with his parents and younger brother, Warren. He attended North Park College in Chicago and graduated in 1955 intent on studying medicine. Because finances proved too challenging, he served as a medic in the Navy instead and eventually settled on medical sales (for his first career). Jerry was a firm believer in the old adage: "Do what you love and you won't work a day in your life." His careers — medical salesman, restaurateur, realtor, window covering entrepreneur — were reflections of his desire to serve others while doing something he truly enjoyed.

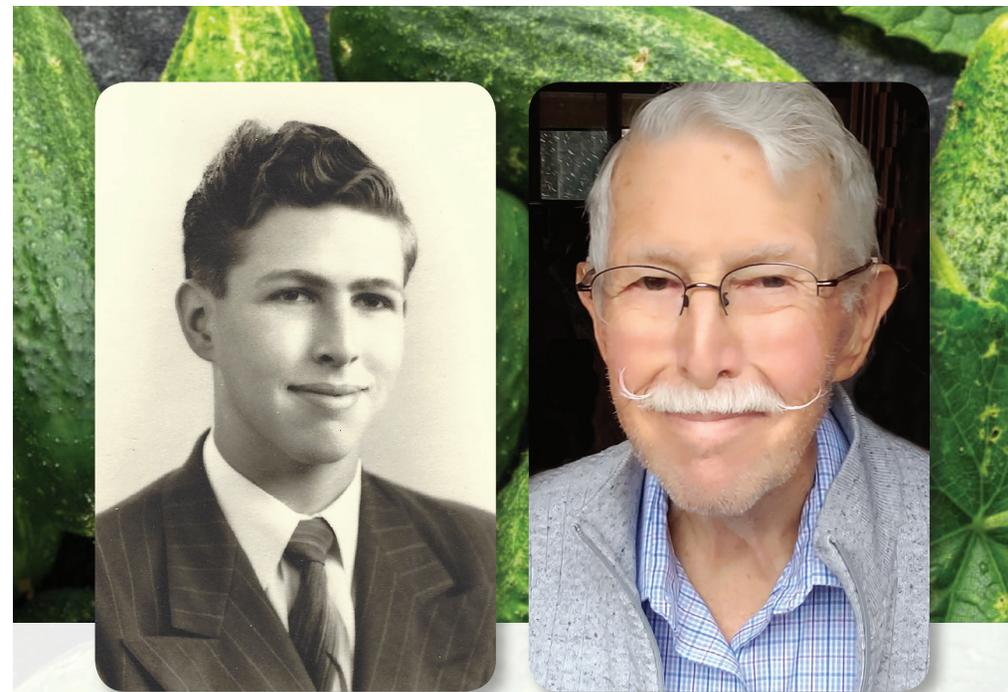
Service was his passion and a theme that threaded throughout his entire life: driving elderly folks to church at age sixteen, opening his heart and hearth to hundreds of international students through the Humphrey Fellowship Program, and ministering to incarcerated individuals and others who needed a home-cooked meal, a warm bed, or some good old-fashioned fatherly advice. His innate gift of hospitality, his twinkly eyes, his boisterous laugh, his warm handshake, and his signature handlebar mustache... These were his superpowers.

Jerry became a Christian at age twelve and spent his life in service to the Lord. He was raised in the Covenant Church by first-generation Swedes, lived for lutefisk season, and was known for his Swedish pancakes and refrigerator pickles and well as his joy-filled baritone. He made a gospel record in 1975, could whistle like a songbird (any songbird), and LOVED reading obituaries, so if you've made it this far, we salute you!

Jerry will be forever missed by his wife, Ardie; his children, David (Mary) Lindahl of Oak Grove (MN), Laurel Lindahl of Duluth (MN), Sharon (Don) Copeland of White Bear Lake (MN), and Cindie (Ron) Bloom of White Bear Lake (MN); ten grandchildren, four great-grandchildren, and a host of dear family, friends, and surrogate kids/grandkids. Jerry will be interred at Fort Snelling National Cemetery during a private family ceremony at a later date.

**When giving in Jerry's honor,
please consider the following ministries:**

First Evangelical Free Church (Maplewood, MN)
Reaching Souls International (Oklahoma City, OK)



IN LOVING MEMORY OF

Jerry Lindahl

OCT. 16, 1933 – DEC. 27, 2022



Jesus: His Name Is Wonderful



Dad and his best friend, Alex Ashwood, loved to sing together and often provided special music at Trinity and other churches throughout the state. Dad's baritone and Alex's bass were the perfect match; they were also a perfect match in their joy and enthusiasm for the Lord. In 1975, our friend and neighbor, Dan Nordgren, spearheaded the project to produce a record of a few of their favorites. The result, *Jesus: His Name is Wonderful*, is Dad in his element – joyfully singing and praising the Lord.



SIDE 1
 What a Wonderful Way to Start the Day
 Through it All
 His Name is Wonderful
 I Want You to Know
 The Wonder of it All

SIDE 2
 The Healer
 He The Pearly Gates Will Open
 Make Me Willing
 Even So, Lord Jesus, Come
 Poem (Isaiah 30)
 Day by Day

Memorial Service

Jan. 20, 2023 | First Evangelical Free Church | Maplewood, MN

PRELUDE

PROCESSIONAL – Telemann: Fantasia No. 9 in E Major, First Movement - Siri Lyon, Oboist (*Granddaughter*)

WELCOME & PRAYER – David Lindahl (*Son*)

HYMN – How Great Thou Art (#2)
 Led by Ana Lena Copeland (*Granddaughter*)

SCRIPTURE READINGS – Brianna Lindahl, Adrienne McCarten, Isaac Lindahl, Katia Copeland, Torsten Copeland, Siri Lyon (*Grandchildren*)

MEMORIES OF GRANDPA – Logan Bloom (*Grandson*)

SPECIAL MUSIC – Krister Copeland (*Grandson*)

MEMORIES OF DAD – Laurel Lindahl (*Daughter*)

MY AMERICAN GRANDPA – Jennie Zhou

YOUR MEMORIES

MEMORIES OF DAD – David Lindahl

THE DOXOLOGY

PRAYER & BENEDICTION

RECESSIONAL – Selections from *Jesus: His Name Is Wonderful*

Please join our family for lunch and fellowship immediately following the service.

CHOOSE THIS DAY WHOM YOU WILL SERVE...
 BUT AS FOR ME AND MY HOUSE,
 we shall serve the Lord.

JOSHUA 24:15