



## Warren Howard Dunn

September 25, 1934 - April 15, 2014

Warren Howard Dunn of Naples and Minneapolis, died on April 15, 2014, at 79 years of age. Survived by wife of 58 years, Nancy Nolan Dunn, and daughters Kathleen Sheehy, Erin Dunn (Ted Wentink), Theresa Dunn and Maureen Dunn (Francis Sheehy), and grandchildren - Jessica, Kate, Emilie, Patrick, Kevan, Madeline, Marie and Ellen. We are mourning his loss but celebrating his life.

Warren grew up in Omaha, Nebraska. He attended Creighton Prep and Creighton University, where he earned degrees in business and law. He met Nancy, the love of his life, in high school. They married in 1955. After graduating from law school in 1958, Warren became a special agent in the Federal Bureau of Investigation. His work for the Bureau from 1959 to 1966 required the family to move often, from Omaha to Louisiana, New York, California, and Milwaukee. In California, Warren attended the Defense Language Institute and learned Italian and Sicilian. His grandchildren, from an early age, knew the meaning of "Andiamo!"

While living in Milwaukee, Warren began working for the Miller Brewing Company. His integrity and high ethical standards in business moved him from positions of assistant legal counsel (1966 to 1973), vice-president and general counsel (1973 to 1984), senior vice-president of administration (1984-90), executive vice-president (1990-91), and president, CEO, and Chairman

(1991-94). He and Nancy traveled the world together on business, but they always preferred to be at home with their girls.

Warren was a man of many skills and much energy. He was a good mechanic and tinkerer with engines. One winter he rebuilt a discarded outboard motor in his garage so that he could take his children on terrifying rides on the open waters of Green Bay on Lake Michigan during summer vacations in Door County, Wisconsin. When he retired, he and Nancy moved to Naples and established a summer home on Lake Minnetonka in Minneapolis, where he purchased a series of boats, all of which were named "The Lite House," with much bigger motors.

He was a runner, a golfer, a photographer, a car washer, a grocery shopper, a griller, a card shark in his day, and he liked to do laundry. He loved to read mystery novels and listen to country western music, Strauss waltzes, and brass marching bands at high volume, especially early in the morning. He tried to love fishing with his sons-in-law John and Francis Sheehy and Ted Wentink, but it required too much quiet sitting as opposed to tearing around on the water. He also loved the Rocky Mountains and treasured the many family trips he organized with children and grandchildren to ranches in Colorado and Wyoming.

Although he was highly successful at his job, Warren taught his children that family always comes first, and he was always there for them. He was an affectionate, generous, and reliable friend, but he was not good at small talk, and he cursed a blue streak on the golf course.

Warren was preceded in death by his sisters Barbara Ehlers of Phoenix, Frances Cheek of Webster City, Iowa, and Margaret Rogers of Omaha, as well as his son-in-law John Sheehy of Minneapolis. We hope they are golfing together on some heavenly course.

His spirit will be with us always. The family will receive friends on Saturday, April 19, from 10 a.m. to noon, at Shikany's Bonita Funeral Home, 28300 Tamiami Trail So., Bonita Springs, FL 34134. Mass of the Christian Burial will be held later at Church of the Incarnation in Minneapolis, with interment at Lakewood Cemetery. Memorials preferred to the Naples Equestrian Challenge, 206 Ridge Drive, Naples 34108, a cause close to Warren's heart.

Arrangements are being handled by Shikany's Bonita Funeral Home.

# Cemetery Details

## Lakewood Cemetery

Minneapolis, MN

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR 19. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Shikany's Bonita Funeral Home  
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# Tribute Wall



“ *Warren Howard Dunn*

October 09, 2023 at 03:40 AM



“ *I just found out today about Warren's death. All my love to Nancy, Kathleen, Erin, Maureen & Theresa. I'll always have fond memories of Warren, but none so fond as the nickname he gave me as a little girl that still get used by my parents today: Bert-Babe.*

*Roberta Weingarten*

**Roberta Weingarten** - May 11, 2014 at 02:42 PM



“ *Sympathies are sent to the Dunn family and friends as you grieve this loss. May you find comfort in God's promise to us (Rev 21:4). Wishing strength and peace be with all of you during this trying time.*

**Sincerely, K. Morris** - April 24, 2014 at 06:32 PM



“ *Kathy,  
My deepest sympathies to you, your mom and sisters at the passing of your dad. I have fond memories of him at the family home in fox Point. It was a long time ago, but back then he was one of the best. What a fun loving man, he will be missed.*

*Angie Cherubini*

**Angie Cherubini** - April 21, 2014 at 08:33 PM

DG

“ I had the pleasure of meeting and sharing a round of golf with Mr. Dunn at a Vince Lombardi golf classic event back in the 90's. Although he was a major player at Miller and I just a brewery sales rep from a competitor, he was extremely kind to me and treated me as an equal. He was a complete gentleman that day and I suspect throughout his life, both professionally and personally. All the best to your family and rest in peace, Warren

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**Dennis Goss** - April 18, 2014 at 02:59 PM

HK

“ To the family of Warren Dunn. Please accept condolences from a retired employee of the Miller Brewing Co. When Warren was an assistant legal counsel at the brewery he would join us from the Marketing Research Dept. for Friday afternoon fish fries at the American Legion Post in West Allis WI. There was good food, Miller beer and animated conversations on subjects ranging from serious topics to nonsense. Warren was very good at the give and take arguments that took place. The luncheons made working at Miller all the more enjoyable. As Warren rose to higher positions at Miller he never forgot his old friends. He was a speaker at my retirement party and had some good natured jokes. Warren was a good man.

*Hubert G. Kukowski  
West Allis WI*

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**Hubert G. (Hub) Kukowski** - April 17, 2014 at 03:17 PM

RS

“ I will always remember Warren as a person of great integrity, blessed with common sense and one who always presented himself as an ordinary man; and that was important to many of us who came to Miller in the early 1970's.

*Pam and I extend our thoughts and prayers to Nancy and all of Warren's family at this difficult time.*

*Pam & Bob Smith*

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**Robert L. Smith** - April 17, 2014 at 12:29 PM

DC

“ My sincere condolences to the Dunn family. A warm and friendly gentleman I remember well during my time as Manager of Warren's Ozaukee Country Club in Mequon, Wisconsin.

*Don Camp*

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**Don Camp** - April 17, 2014 at 10:29 AM