

Gerald Braaten, age 82, of Wheaton, Minnesota passed away Sunday, August 4, 2024 at the Traverse Care Center in Wheaton.

Jerry enlisted with the Navy Reserve and served from June of 1962 to May of 1964. He later attended North Dakota State College of Science graduating with a HVAC degree. He worked for Tessiers in Mitchell, SD, where he met his wife Barbara J. Schroeder. They were married on November 25, 1966. They moved to Wheaton, Minnesota in 1972 where he started in business with Walrath Sheetmetal. He purchased the business in 1985 renaming it Wheaton Heating.

Together Jerry and Barb raised three children: Nicolle J. Toso (Daryn), Rhonda K. Antrim Petersen (Doug), and John C. Braaten (Tanya). They have six grandchildren: Trent Toso (Sharlie), Mitchell Toso (Jordan), Rachel Ott (Austin), Jacob Antrim, Madi Braaten and Zachary Braaten. They also have four great-grandchildren: Crosby, Tripp, Maggie, and Tucker. Jerry instilled a love of sweets in all of them.

Jerry enjoyed sports, baking, shaking dice, cards, gardening, playing pool, and bike riding. Jerry never really retired and loved going to work with his son John. He also enjoyed family gatherings and his grandchildren. Jerry had a strong work ethic and good sense of humor. He was also a member of the Masons, where he developed some great friendships.

Jerry is preceded in death by his father and mother and five siblings: Ardell Braaten, Ben Braaten, Gertrude Rockstad, Mabel Sargeant; his daughter Nicolle; and son-in law, Daniel Antrim.

He is survived by his wife Barb; children Rhonda and John; grandchildren: Trent Toso (Sharlie), Mitchell Toso (Jordan), Rachel Ott (Austin), Jacob Antrim, Madi Braaten and Zachary Braaten; great grandchildren: Crosby, Tripp, Maggie and Tucker; brother Julian Braaten; sisters: Sissel Heckman and Crystal Cislo; and many in-laws, nieces, and nephews.



In Memory Of

Gerald Curtis Braaten

February 17, 1942 ~ August 4, 2024





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Date of Birth
February 17, 1942

Entered Into Rest
August 4, 2024

Funeral Services

11:00 AM, August 8, 2024

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church - Wheaton, Minnesota

Officiating

Rev. Cheryl Berg

Pianist

LeAnn Bjornson

Obituary

Rachel Ott

Readers

Madi Braaten & Rhonda Petersen

Honorary Urn Bearers

Grandchildren: Trent Toso, Mitchell Toso, Rachel Ott,
Jacob Antrim, Madi Braaten & Zach Braaten.

Military Rites Provided By

Merton Dale American Legion Post #80

Burial

Wildwood Cemetery - Wheaton, Minnesota

*Please join the family for lunch in the Good Shepherd Lutheran
Church fellowship hall following the service.*