

IN LOVING MEMORY OF

Larry LeRoy Nelson

A popular Minnesota PGA golf professional, Larry Nelson, age 49, died at his home Monday morning, January 12, 2009 after a nearly two-year battle with brain cancer. He was born April 10, 1959 in Minneapolis, Minnesota to Gordon LeRoy and Dorothy Mae (Johnson) Nelson. He is survived by his wife of 16 years, Lisa M. Nelson; his children, Natalie and Susan and Spencer Blake and his father, Gordon L. Nelson. He is preceded in death by his mother, Dorothy M. Nelson.

Larry graduated from Minnehaha Academy, where he played on the golf team and graduated from Minneapolis Community College. He coached youth hockey after completing his education. He became a PGA golf professional in 1990. He was a teaching pro at Braemar Golf Course in Edina the past 10 years and at the former Rich Acres the preceding 9 years. He was especially proud of the junior and adapted programs he started at Rich Acres and brought to Braemar, where both programs continue to thrive and dozens of Larry's students became PGA professionals themselves, always putting players at ease with his folksy charm and the love of a good story. Larry always said "golf makes good people, and your work is just an extension of the passion you have for life" He was loathe to put his battle with cancer into sports terms. "He didn't want anyone to say that he "lost" the battle with cancer", "He feels he's the victor in this battle, that he's gone to a better place"



CELEBRATION OF LIFE SERVICE

Saturday, January 17, 2009, 3:00 PM

Westwood Community Church

3121 Westwood Drive, Excelsior, Minnesota 55331

www.westwoodcc.org

Visitation beginning at 2:00 PM

MEMORIALS PREFERRED TO

The Nelson Family Fund, c/o Braemar Golf Course

6364 John Harris Drive, Edina, Minnesota 55439

