

IN LOVING MEMORY OF

Curtis Dean Goward

Age 87 of Edina, Minnesota went home to be with his Lord, Friday evening, May 21, 2010 at Methodist Hospital, St. Louis Park, Minnesota. He was born August 3, 1922 in Minneapolis, Minnesota to Eutell and Ethel Mae (Stickney) Goward.

PRECEDED IN DEATH BY

Wife Georgia (Betty) Goward
Baby daughter, brother Clement Goward
Sister Lois Dunn and Infant Sister, Charlotte

SURVIVED BY

Sons, Paul (Jamae) Goward and James Goward
Daughters, Corinne Swanson (James)
Jenice Burggraff and Wenda Dolan (Peter)
14 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren
Brother, Clayton Goward
Nieces and nephews

VISITATION

Thursday, May 27, 2010, 5:00 – 8:00 PM
Albin Chapel, 6855 Rowland Road
Eden Prairie, Minnesota 55344
www.albinchapel.com

SERVICE

Friday, May 28, 2010, 11:00 AM
Visitation 1 hour prior to the service
Cedar Valley Church, 8600 Bloomington Avenue South
Bloomington, Minnesota 55425
www.cvchurch.org

INTERMENT

Friday, May 28, 2010, 2:30 PM
Crystal Lake Cemetery, 3800 Penn Avenue North
Minneapolis, Minnesota 55412

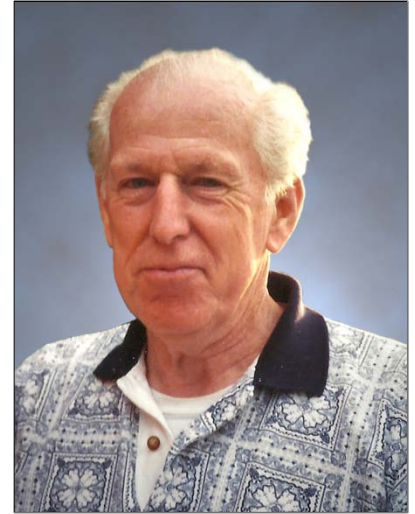
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CURTIS D. GOWARD

Curt was born to Eutell Dean and Ethel Mae Goward on August 3, 1922 in Minneapolis, Minnesota. He led an adventuresome childhood. Curt and his wife met at Foursquare Gospel Church right in his neighborhood. Many of their lifetime friendships were formed there.

Curt attended Central High graduating from night school. He always enjoyed reading and learning and took Liberal Art courses at the University of Minnesota and various courses at Vocational Evening School. Each of these courses helped him in his supervisory positions in the Post Office, in dealing with the Royal Rangers and teaching children at Minneapolis Gospel Tabernacle. They also helped in developing and operating his real estate properties. Having an interest in aviation, he actually took ground school training twice and was active in Toastmasters.



After World War II when Curtis came home from serving in the Navy, he and Betty traveled around the United States. Paul was a new baby and added joy to their life together. Visiting historical and famous scenic places they often stopped to see relatives. Curt worked in several cities along the way.

Curt and Betty had a “quiverful”, a total of five living children. During the elementary school years of Paul, Corinne, Jim and Jenice, Curt was active on the board of Powderhorn Christian School. He often drove the school bus and Betty drove the kindergarteners. Wenda was born while they were living at their hotel. Their “family room” was a room adjoining the office. The couple each had their own responsibilities and their older children often helped.

After Curt retired from the Post Office, he worked for a local chemical company for ten years. Though not retired, he and Betty took several trips to see their grandchildren in Wichita, to Texas and California. They enjoyed some more leisure time with friends, children and grandchildren.

His beloved wife passed away in 1984. Probably to pass the time and fulfill his desires to travel, to help people, to spread God’s Good News and use his skills, he started working with RVMAPS. Over a thirteen year period he truly met many wonderful friends and was involved in many fruitful projects for the kingdom of God. In recent years he attended Cedar Valley’s men’s Bible studies and Bethel Assembly’s senior activities.

In November of 2009, Curt was diagnosed with cancer. This was hard for him to accept since he had lived such a healthy and active life. His last months were a mixture of hope and setbacks. He joked that when he lost his hair he noticed that his ears stuck out so much that a strong wind could blow him away. He also stated that he should hire himself out as a scarecrow to a local farmer. He always had a joke to share.

In recent conversations with family, friends and acquaintances, there were many warming comments regarding Curt, our Dad. “He never left anyone out...he was a friend to everyone...he was always helping someone...he was a generous man...he truly loved the Lord!” Curtis went to be with his Savior on May 21, 2010. *We will miss him very much!*