



Freeman Thomas Beasley Jr

July 10, 1948 - April 13, 2021

Freeman Thomas Beasley, Jr., age 72, died April 13. Survived by daughters Dana and Courtney Beasley; granddaughter Ada; nieces, nephews, grandnieces, and grandnephews. Memorial services Saturday, May 8, 10:00 AM at Estes Funeral Chapel, 2201 Plymouth Ave N. Minneapolis. Freeman loved live theater and in retirement regularly volunteered at the Guthrie Theater, Minneapolis. The family requests donations to be made to the Guthrie in his memory.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

MAY 8. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Estes Funeral Chapel
2201 Plymouth Ave N
Minneapolis, MN 55411
(612) 521-6744
<https://estesfuneralchapel.com>

Tribute Wall

CS

“ I can't believe he's gone. We loved discussing politics & history. Though we never met I felt I knew his daughters . He cared deeply about family. I'll miss him.

Connie Sjerven - November 14, 2021 at 06:17 PM

MW

“ Freeman was a very dear friend of mine since 2004. I met him through the Washington County Workforce Center. Besides him helping me with employment, we became good if not best friends. Freeman was extremely intelligent..I used to tell him he needed to be on Jeopardy..

Over the years, although miles apart, we stayed touch..phone conversations and text messages..angry at the Vikings for never winning a Super Bowl, discussing Canadian football..which he loved and of course Tour de France..which he watched every year.

I used to quiz him on movie titles, movie stars, history and music! He always had a story and I learned alot from him.

He loved his daughters and was so proud of his granddaughter.

As Freeman always told me..May the force be with you....kid.

I miss you. Rest in Peace my friend.

Marjie Westlund

Marjie Westlund - September 11, 2021 at 08:06 PM

DC

“ My name is Dave Coleman and I am an old friend of Freeman. We used to hang out together when Freeman was at the Saint Paul Urban coalition. As I age I find myself thinking about old acquaintances. Freeman was a dear friend. I remember Freeman visiting us and going cross country skiing. What a hoot it was seeing a kid from the city out in the snow. I remember being at his house in highland park having dinner. Our children were old enough to be in beds. So I gave Frrenan our crib and I think Courtney and Dana may have spent time in that crib. I have been recently trying to reconnect with Freeman and was truly sad to here of his passing. He was truly a fine man. Dave Coleman 320-262-4733

Dave Coleman - June 17, 2021 at 07:45 PM

RB

“ Freeman was a student of mine at Lansing (Michigan) Community College about 53 years ago. I was just out of college myself but his warmth and friendliness and smarts made my first teaching experience magical. About 20 years later, we met quite by chance while exercising at the Jewish Community Center in Saint Paul. It was such a treat to reconnect and share insights and experiences. May his memory be for a blessing. Ronnie Brooks

Ronnie Brooks - May 08, 2021 at 11:06 AM

JS

“ I met Freeman at the playground across from our house in Highland Park in the late 1980s. We instantly struck friendship and remained friends for more than 30 years. What a kind gentle soul with a distinct voice fit for radio and TV. Sorry the pandemic prevented us from spending some coffee time together. James Selmer

JAMES SELMER - May 07, 2021 at 06:30 PM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Freeman Thomas Beasley Jr.*



May 05, 2021 at 04:19 PM



“ *Mr. Beasley was a kind, generous, and elegant person. It was an honor to have him as our neighbor. He will be missed.--Jeanne and Tom Lutz, American Trio Lofts*

Jeanne - May 05, 2021 at 12:51 PM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Freeman Thomas Beasley Jr.*



May 05, 2021 at 09:29 AM



“ *Dana, I didn't have the chance to know your father, but I know he must have been someone special to have raised a great daughter like you. So glad that he got to meet his precious granddaughter before his passing too. With deepest sympathy as you remember Freeman. --Annette*

Annette - May 05, 2021 at 09:23 AM

KR

“ My sincere condolences to Courtney, Dana, and the extended Beasley family. What a wonderful family influenced by a very special man. I taught Visual Art at Mounds Park Academy and was privileged to have both Courtney and Dana in my classes earlier on in the school’s history. I got to know Freeman as part of the school community and as a very supportive and involved parent. I remember speaking with him almost daily in the hallway, as he always came inside to pick up the girls from school. Freeman shared his thoughts and wisdom openly and offered his expertise and help whenever needed. He graced our school events with his wonderful smile and big laugh. He always shared a positive outlook and invited engaging conversations. I know he will be missed deeply by the family and yet I know that his legacy, charm, and memory will be carried on by those whose hearts he touched in this life. He certainly will always be remembered by me.
Ms Karen Rossbach

Karen Rossbach - May 04, 2021 at 10:47 PM

MP

“ Mike, Sally, and Paul purchased the Sweet Tranquility Basket for the family of Freeman Thomas Beasley Jr.



Mike, Sally, and Paul - May 04, 2021 at 08:32 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Freeman Thomas Beasley Jr.



May 04, 2021 at 08:08 PM

JL

“ *Jacqueline, Zofia, Deb and Larry purchased the Heavenly Light for the family of Freeman Thomas Beasley Jr.*



Jacqueline, Zofia, Deb and Larry - May 04, 2021 at 05:24 PM

SW

“ *We all enjoyed so much movie trivia with Freeman. There wasn't anything we had seen or knew about that Freeman didn't already know. Couldn't stump that man on anything! So much fun for us all.*

Much love to you all!

Mike & Sally

Sally Wykes - May 02, 2021 at 07:16 PM