



Glenn St. Marie

August 5, 1945 - October 1, 2013

The memorial service for Glenn St. Marie will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Thursday, October 10, 2013 at the Immanuel Lutheran Church in Wadena, with Pastor Nate Loer and Christie Meier, AIM, officiating. Friends may call at the church on Thursday from 9:30 a.m. until the time of the memorial service. Glenn, 68, died October 1, 2013 at the St. Cloud Hospital.

Glenn Edward St. Marie, born in Duluth, Minnesota on August 5, 1945 to Glenn Albert St. Marie and Irene Helen (Carlson) St. Marie, it was there along the shores of Lake Superior that he grew up, attended school and graduated with a BA degree in sociology from the University of Minnesota, Duluth in 1967.

In 1966, Glenn married Susan Jacobson in Duluth; she was his partner until their divorce in 1976. Glenn was employed as a social worker for St. Louis County from 1967 until his enlistment in the United States Army where he served as an infantry and psychological operations officer in the United States and Viet Nam from 1968 to 1971. Following his honorable discharge, he earned his Master's Degree in social work at the University of Minnesota and then returned to St. Louis County Social Services to work as a planner/evaluator, Assistant Director of Financial Services and Director of Child Support Enforcement until 1982.

In 1982, Glenn and his partner, Jane Erckenbrack, began travels around the United States in a motor home. During that time, Glenn decided to attend law school and they subsequently settled in Washington D.C. where he attended the Antioch School of Law from 1984 until 1986 when he earned his JD degree. Glenn practiced law in Washington D.C. and Maryland from 1986 until 1999. His special interests were employment and immigration law as well as many years as a legal advocate for families experiencing the struggles of poverty, domestic violence, child abuse and neglect.

Glenn and Jane were married in Tacoma Park, Maryland on March 31, 1989; 13 years after their adventure began. They adopted four children over the next 6 years and raised them in Washington, DC until 1999, when they moved to Jane's home town of Wadena, Minnesota.

Glenn was a man of deep convictions who had great curiosity about the human condition and our relationship to the Divine. Glenn earned his 1st Degree Black Belt in Tae Kwon Do and then became a student of Qi Gong and Tai Chi which he faithfully practiced and taught for 20 years. Glenn had a heart for those experiencing violence, addictions, poverty and injustice. He belonged to Veterans for Peace and the ACLU. In 2005, Glenn began to struggle with the effects of exposure to Agent Orange while in Viet Nam; this included prostate cancer and Parkinson Disease.

Glenn is preceded in death by his parents, Glenn and Irene; his step-mother, Glory St. Marie; and father-in-law, Harvey Erckenbrack.

He is survived by his wife, Jane; stepfather, Gerald Robison of Duluth, sisters, Carla (Garry) Hansen of Spooner, WI, and Margaret (Karl) Honigman of Duluth; sons, John and Antonio (Margaret Flath) St. Marie of Wadena and William (Nakia) St. Marie of Washington, DC; daughter, Jessica St. Marie of Shakopee; grandchildren Mikayla, Emilee, Antonio Jr., Malik and Kiashawna;

mother-in-law, Mary Ann Erckenbrack of Wadena; sisters-in-law Kay (Kim) Gudmestad of Minneapolis and Nancy Erckenbrack of Seattle, WA; and many nieces, nephews and friends.

Memorials may be directed to the Michael J. Fox Foundation, The Southern Poverty Law Center or charity of the donor's choice.

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Southern Poverty Law Center (<https://donate.splcenter.org>)

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Previous Events

Visitation

OCT 10. 9:30 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Immanuel Lutheran Church - Wadena
403 2nd St. SE
Wadena, MN 56482

Service

OCT 10. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ Schuller Family Funeral Homes created a Tribute Video in memory of Glenn St. Marie



Schuller Family Funeral Homes - October 01, 2013 at 12:00 AM

DF

“ Dalby Family lit a candle in memory of Glenn St. Marie



Dalby Family - October 11, 2013 at 09:00 AM

DF

We will keep you all in our thoughts and prayers.

Dalby Family - October 11, 2013 at 09:01 AM

TA

“ The Asfeld's lit a candle in memory of Glenn St. Marie



The Asfeld's - October 06, 2013 at 09:51 AM

AJ

“ *Our community is grateful for Glenn's repeated public presentation of information and views encouraging personal and global peace and harmony. Thanks be to Glenn.
Allan Lynk and Karen Johnson*



Allan Lynk and Karen Johnson - October 04, 2013 at 08:07 PM

CR

“ *Jane and Family, My sincere condolences! I was so sorry to hear of Glenn's passing!
Chuck Rensink*

Chuck Rensink - October 04, 2013 at 05:43 PM

KH

“ *Jane and family, You are in our thoughts and prayers. So glad to have known Glenn and to be a part of our family. the Heltemes'*

kathy heltemes - October 04, 2013 at 12:20 PM

DS

“ *Jane and family. Dee and I just heard. So sorry for the loss of a quiet man with a kind heart. We are holding you in our thoughts and prayers.*

Dan and Dee Skogen - October 04, 2013 at 11:40 AM

TC

“ I will remember Glenn as a sort of steady light, burning deep within a kind heart, being directed out through a fine mind, and finally becoming magnified in compassionate, practical actions that made a difference in this far too twi-lit world. I always felt I had to leave Glenn one enlightening conversation in arears, and was always looking forward to picking up that conversation the next time I saw him. And I still have that plan...though perhaps I will piece together his voice and light in the family that continues to reflect his values, his mind, his heart, his life. My love and sympathy go out to Jane and all the family. Thanks, Glenn, for contributing your stanza to the Great Poem of the world. I will miss you.

-Todd Conatser

Todd Conatser - October 03, 2013 at 01:59 PM

DA

“ Glenn was a wonderful man, and our memories will continue to celebrate his life. May your memories and faith keep you and your family strong.

Dan Conatser and family

Dan - October 03, 2013 at 11:14 AM



KB

“ Kelly Bain lit a candle in memory of Glenn St. Marie

Kelly Bain - October 03, 2013 at 10:32 AM



MA

“ Oh Jane. We are thinking about you constantly and praying for that peace that is not understandable to fill you. You two have had so much. Hold it close.

Love,
Margo and Boyd

Margo - October 03, 2013 at 09:33 AM

CL

“ Connie Lepper lit a candle in memory of Glenn St. Marie



Connie Lepper - October 02, 2013 at 09:49 PM

AY

“ Glenn was a part of my life i will miss him very very much:({.



alizabeth yungbauer - October 02, 2013 at 09:24 PM

RY

“ Rick & Linda Youngbauer lit a candle in memory of Glenn St. Marie



Rick & Linda Youngbauer - October 02, 2013 at 08:36 PM

DA

“ Jane & Family~ We are holding you in thought in prayer at this sad time.
Hugs, Di & Jerry Anderson



Di Schiller Anderson - October 02, 2013 at 08:16 PM

YU

“ So sorry to hear about your loss! Please know that your family is in our thoughts and prayers.



Yungbauer's - October 02, 2013 at 08:03 PM

TF

“ The Yungbauer Family lit a candle in memory of Glenn St. Marie



the Yungbauer Family - October 02, 2013 at 08:01 PM

JP

“ Jackie Perius lit a candle in memory of Glenn St. Marie



Jackie Perius - October 02, 2013 at 04:05 PM

PJ

“ So sad to hear about Glenn, Jane and family! Our prayers and thoughts are with you all.
Ken and Pam Jenson

Pam Jenson - October 02, 2013 at 02:42 PM

PJ

“ Pam Jenson lit a candle in memory of Glenn St. Marie



Pam Jenson - October 02, 2013 at 02:37 PM

JR

“ Jeanne Roggenkamp lit a candle in memory of Glenn St. Marie



Jeanne Roggenkamp - October 02, 2013 at 02:01 PM