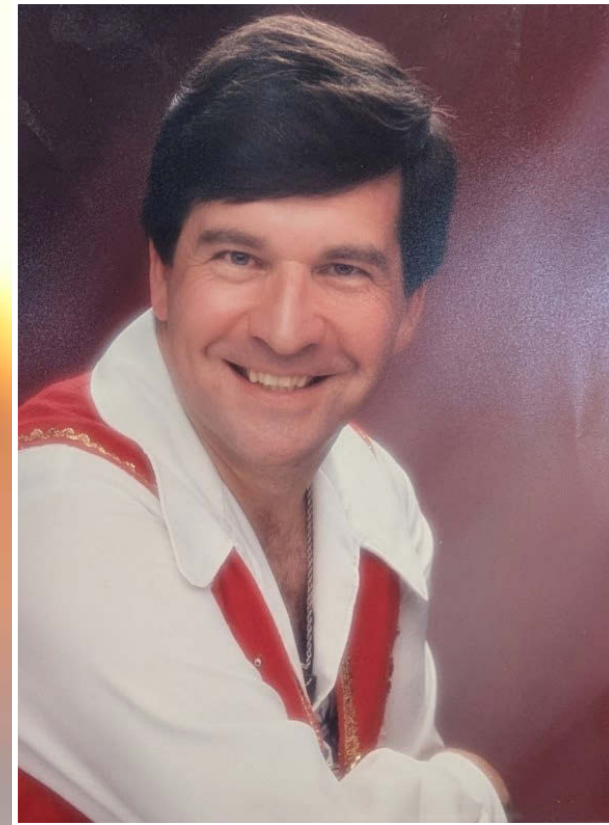


OBITUARY

Jerald L. Golmanavich, 76, of Omaha, NE passed away October 11, 2024. Preceded in death by his parents, Leo and Anna (Sowakinas) Golmanavich and an infant brother, Leo. Jerry is survived by his wife, Elizabeth (Betty) (Soldan) Golmanavich, our cat, Smoochie, Jerry's brother and sister-in-law, Joseph & Susan Golmanavich, twin nieces Lauren (Scott & Morgan) McIver and Jessica (Jeff & Matthew) Kahn. Jerry was born in Newark, NJ on July 17th, 1948. He went to East Side High School in Newark and the Newark College of Engineering, now known as the New Jersey Institute of Technology. In 1969, Jerry was hired on by Western Electric in Baltimore, MD. On April 4, 1970, he married Elizabeth (Betty) Soldan. In 1983, Western Electric transferred Jerry's job to their facility in Omaha, NE. Jerry and Betty moved into their house on July 2, 1983. Jerry continued to work there when it became A.T.&T., and then Lucent Technologies. He got his Master's Degree from Purdue University on August 3, 1990 through a company program. Jerry wrote two chapters and edited the Plastic Technician's Toolbox (a set of 7 books about plastics molding). Jerry also received two work related patents. He retired from Lucent Technologies on February 29, 2000. Jerry passed away on October 11th due to complications from prostate cancer.

Jerry belonged to many organizations such as the American Coaster Enthusiasts, the Automatic Musical Instrument Collectors Association, the German/American Society in Omaha, including the Baers Men's Group, the River City Theatre Organ Society, the Nebraska Trailblazers, the Society of American Magicians, the Omaha Magical Society, the Knights of Columbus, Omaha Sister Cities Association and the Society of Plastics Engineers. He volunteered at the Omaha Community Playhouse, the Rose Theater, Salvation Army, and the Heartland Council of Pioneers, making Hug-a-Bears for the police and sheriff's departments. He also headed up a program called Project Connect (educational computer games for students).

VISITATION: Monday, October 21, 2024 from 5-7 p.m. at Westlawn-Hillcrest Funeral Home, 5701 Center St followed by VIGIL SERVICE at 7 p.m. MASS OF CHRISTIAN BURIAL: Tuesday, October 22, 2024 at 10 a.m. at St. Margaret Mary Church, 6116 Dodge St. INTERMENT FOLLOWING MASS at Westlawn-Hillcrest Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorials are suggested to the American Red Cross Disaster Relief



IN LOVING MEMORY

Jerald Leo Golmanavich

July 17, 1948 - October 11, 2024

If tomorrow starts without me, and I'm not there to see, If the sun should rise and find your eyes all filled with tears for me; I wish so much you wouldn't cry the way you did today, While thinking of the many things, we didn't get to say. I know how much you love me, as much as I love you, And each time that you think of me, I know you'll miss me, too. But when tomorrow starts without me, please try to understand, That an angel came and called my name, and took me by the hand, And said my place was ready, in heaven far above, And that I'd have to leave behind all those I dearly love. But as I turned to walk away, a tear fell from my eye For all my life, I'd always thought, I didn't want to die. I had so much to live for, so much left yet to do, It seemed almost impossible that I was leaving you. I thought of all the yesterdays, the good ones and the bad, I thought of all that we had shared, and all the fun we had. If I could relive yesterday, just even for a while, I'd say good-bye and kiss you and maybe see you smile. But then I fully realized that this could never be, For emptiness and memories, would take the place of me. And when I thought of worldly things, I might miss come tomorrow, I thought of you, and when I did, my heart was filled with sorrow. But when I walked through Heaven's gates, I felt so much at home. When God looked down and smiled at me from His great golden throne. He said, "This is eternity, and all I've promised you. "Today your life on earth is past, but here life starts anew. I promise no tomorrow, but today will always last, and since each day's the same way, there's no longing for the past. You have been so faithful, so trusting and so true. Though there were times you did some things, you knew you shouldn't do. But you have been forgiven, and now at last you're free. So won't you come and take my hand, and share my life with me? So when tomorrow starts without me, don't think we're far apart, For every time you think of me, I'm right here, in your heart.

Rosary

Westlawn-Hillcrest Funeral Home
5701 Center St, Omaha, Nebraska 68106

Monday, October 21, 2024

7:00 pm

Officiated by
Deacon Mike Conzett

Funeral Mass

St. Margaret Mary's Church
6116 Dodge St, Omaha, Nebraska 68132

Tuesday, October 22, 2024

10:00 am

Officiated by
Fr. Ralph O'Donnell

Pallbearers

Bob Gehringer ~ Dave Arch ~ Ray Gering
Dave Beat ~ Larry Brodahl ~ Denny Rourke

Burial

Westlawn-Hillcrest Memorial Park
5701 Center St, Omaha, Nebraska 68106

When I take my vacation in heaven, What A Wonderful time that will be! Hearing Concerts of the heavenly chorus, And the smiles of the Angels I'll see. Sitting down on the banks of the river. Neath the shade of the evergreen tree. I shall rest from my worries forever. What A Wonderful time it will be."