



## John M. Groettum

January 1, 1950 - April 28, 2016

Groettum, John Mark

Age 66, of Maple Grove. Born January 1, 1950 and passed away April 28, 2016. Preceded in death by his parents, Pastor Carl and Joan Groettum. Survived by wife, Deb; children Martha (Mike) Krueger and Andy (Lindsey) Groettum; grandchildren Riley, Dylan, and Sam Krueger, and Calvin Groettum; sisters Carolyn Stockbridge and Connie Hanson; Deb's parents Gerald and Nancy Stern; sister Christine Stern; brother Steve (Anne) Stern; special cousin and best friend, James (Cheryl) Groettum; loving nieces, nephews, cousins, and many good friends. John grew up in Brooklyn Center and attended Robbinsdale High School. He started working part time at Market Tire Company in Crystal at age 16, and stayed on as a full-time employee after graduating from St. Olaf College in 1972. John was a proud co-owner and manager of Market Tire until his retirement in 2007. John's father was called from La Crosse, WI to begin a mission church in Brooklyn Center in 1956. He grew up at this church, Cross of Glory Lutheran, and never left his loving congregational family. John was a diehard Twins, Vikings, and Gophers fan. He enjoyed time spent at the lake home in Maple Lake and was devoted to his family, especially his grandchildren (who helped establish "John's Daycare"). John will be missed by many.

**In lieu of flowers, memorials are preferred to the Cross of Glory Enduring Gifts Fund.**

## Visitation

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Saturday, April 30th 3:00-5:00 PM



Cross of Glory Lutheran Church, 5929 Brooklyn Blvd., Brooklyn Center, MN

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