Dr. Paul Melvin Sletten

April 25, 1942 - April 2, 2023

Dr. Paul Melvin Sletten passed away suddenly on the morning of April 2, 2023 leaving behind his loving wife of 8 years, Karon Bishop.

Paul was born on April 25, 1942 in Richardton, North Dakota to Rev. Earl and Inga Sletten. He grew up in Kindred, North Dakota where his father served as minister. He went on to attend Oak Grove High School in Fargo, where he was in the same class as Karon.

After high school, Paul spent a year in Chiang Mai, Thailand assisting at a colony for victims of leprosy. He returned home to attend Concordia College, where he met his first wife Judy, and went on to earn his PhD in psychology at the University of South Dakota. This led to a long, rewarding career with the CIA, which provided priceless opportunities for his family to travel and see the world.

After Judy's grievous early death, Paul reconnected with Karon. They enjoyed many happy years together traveling and spending time with friends and family in Minnesota and Florida, where Paul sang in the choir at St. Armands Key Lutheran Church.

Paul is survived by his brother Joel Sletten (Alice) and sister Ruth Clemenson (Rich). He leaves behind his three children: David Sletten (Cassie), Brian

Sletten (Kristin), and Liz Matile (Shawn). Paul was a caring grandfather to his five grandchildren: Jessica (James), Cameron, Astrid, Sylas, and Langston. He was further blessed with three great-grandchildren: Paige, Jacob, and Graham.

Paul will be missed and his memory cherished by the numerous people whose lives he touched: family, friends, and colleagues in communities around the world.

A viewing will be held at St. Armands Key Lutheran Church at 9:00 Saturday April 8th with a funeral service at 10:00. The service will be streamed on Facebook via https://saklc.com

Previous Events

Viewing

APR **8**. 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (ET)

St. Armands Key Lutheran Church
40 N. Adams Drive
Sarasota, FL 34236

Funeral Service

APR **8**. 10:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

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Our deepest sympathies to the family. We're sorry that we can't be there with you. Dr. Paul was a wonderful soul and a bright person to be around. I'm only sorry that he didn't have the opportunity to meet Graham. We love you all and we will miss you Dr. Paul.

Cameron Keenan - April 07, 2023 at 02:59 PM

Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Dr. Paul Melvin Sletten.

April 07, 2023 at 02:45 PM