



David John Fraser

April 15, 1933 - January 7, 2022

David John Fraser, of St. Louis, Missouri, was born April 20, 1933 in St. Louis, Missouri to Donald and Helen (nee Sanders) passed peacefully in his sleep Friday, January 7, 2022 in Brentwood, Missouri at the age of 88 years.

He is preceded in death by, his parents, and siblings; Donald Fraser II, Alice Webb, Margaret DeBlieux and Dan Fraser

He is survived by,

One daughter (1) Helen Fraser (Loren) Nelson,

Two (2) grandchildren, Katherine Fraser Matthews and Luke Alexander Nelson

along with numerous extended family and friends.

He will be fondly remembered and dearly missed by all who knew and loved him.

Graveside service will be held on Friday January 28, 2022 at 10: 00 a.m. at Calvary Cemetery 5239 W, Florissant Ave. St. Louis, MO 63115. Family and friends can review and share stories, photos and condolences online at www.stlfuneral.com and follow details of this event and others in the community at www.facebook.com/stlchapelhill.

Cemetery Details

Calvary Cemetery

Previous Events

Graveside Service

JAN 28. 10:00 AM - 10:45 AM (cst)

Calvary Cemetery
5239 W, Florissant Ave
St Louis, MO 63115

Tribute Wall



“ *David John Fraser*

January 06, 2023 at 10:46 PM



“ *Dear Helen,*

I was a close friend with your dad for many years in high school and college, and enjoyed sharing his company with Andy Foster and others in those years. In 1954 I got married and entered the Air Force for 3 years, also started a family. I was able to get together with Dave a few times for lunch, maybe some hockey games. I admired his mind. I believe he really enjoyed a sense of fulfillment with teaching and coaching. After you were born it became clear that you were the center of his universe. You brought a new dimension of happiness into his life.

You have my sincere condolences.

God bless you,

Al Mangelsdorf

Al Mangelsdorf - February 03, 2022 at 12:43 PM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of David John Fraser.*



January 25, 2022 at 04:25 PM

LP

“ I am saddened to hear of Mr Fraser’s passing. He was my coach and Latin teacher at Whitfield and a great friend upon graduation. We shared many good times playing tennis weekly and hockey several times each month. One year I was the only student in his Latin class. We spent half the class on Latin and the other half drawing soccer or hockey plays on the board.He was instrumental in my being recognized as a Post Dispatch Scholar Athlete in 1972. I will miss Dave. Rest In Peace

Lawson Primm - January 24, 2022 at 06:39 PM

JM

“ I’m very sorry to hear about Mr. Frasier. I was a student at Whitfield and played soccer there for 5 years. He was an excellent coach and cared about his players. Once when I made a mistake, I was sure I would be benched, but in the next practice after that game he named who would cover the players on the team we would play the following week. I was one of those he had cover a particularly good player from the other team. That picked me up and made me want to play even harder for him. Another thing he did that was very admirable was he ensured those who never made the team but tried each year got to play their senior year so they could get a letter. I remember them sitting on the bench till close to the end of the games and he’d pull one of us out to let one of them play. I don’t remember him smiling much but I remember him as someone with character and a leader in helping mold his students. I wish I had met him after I left.

James P McDonald - January 23, 2022 at 12:42 PM

FC

“ *My deepest condolences to Dave’s family. Lots of fond memories from teaching English to coaching soccer at Whitfield. May he Rest In Peace.*
Flip Cady, class of 1970

Flip Cady - January 17, 2022 at 03:36 PM

KS

“ *Dear Helen, I knew your Dad as a teenager at SLU, continued to meet up with him over the years. Sorry for your loss. You and Katherine were so important to him. This memory was before her brother, Luke, had arrived.*
I wish you all the best, Peace, Good Health and Happiness be yours, Katherine Shaw (K)

Katherine Shaw - January 16, 2022 at 12:58 PM

HN

Thank you Kay!

Helen Nelson - January 18, 2022 at 11:06 AM

AF

Dear Helen, your father and I were very close friends from the mid fifties for 5 or 6 years, a v(ery brief time but a happy time. Several of us, Al Mangelsdorf, known as Big Al ,Paul Sullivan, AKA Vinnie,Bob Mulholland BOMO Patrick Smith,brought Dave into the real world of learning how to drink beer like a real college boy. Travelling in style non-stop with an open case of beer to Santa Fe NM. One memorable trip was driving to the well known Fort Lauderdale spring break. It must have been about 1954. We were going to drive non-stop but were delayed when we heard a clanking noise just after we crossed the Eads Bridge into Illinois. The local repairman charged us only 75 cents for the repair but it was a good thing we stopped. 75 cents was the cost of a huge nut and bolt holding together the 1937 Ford Woodie I had bought a few days prior; \$150 as I recall.

He taught us a few things, too. Like don't lend your (David's) green 2-door Ford sedan to me or Al. It wasn't our fault we left Dave's Ford blocking his father's Buick and, running late, Dad took the Ford and when Mrs Fraser opened the door on Grand Boulevard out rolled an empty Alpen Brau bottle.

Dave was my best man at the wedding in Greenville. SC and we lost touch since then. I haven't seen him since 2000. I sent him some Kodachrome slides of our late-50s trip to Santa Fe I waz the short blonde. I'm still short.

It's late here in Upstate NY and if I had more time, we could reminisce about Mrs. Fraser (Mom)huge silver punch bowl in their attic for a one-time blending of the beers, a less classy sort of meeting of the rivers.

I like to think that David was a big part of our lives, then we were a big part of his, I like to think we helped learn it's okj to laugh and ok to enjoy life.

My condolences.

Andy Foster

Andy Foster - February 02, 2022 at 10:35 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of David John Fraser.



January 11, 2022 at 03:08 PM