



Sylvan "Flash" Nierenhausen

June 16, 1928 - January 6, 2026

Sylvan "Flash" Nierenhausen, age 97, born June 16, 1928, peacefully passed away at home, surrounded by his loving wife, Bernie, and family.

Flash married Bernie (Eickhoff) on April 10, 1951. Together they shared nearly 75 years of marriage. Flash's most cherished time was spent with Bernie, his family, and friends. A deeply spiritual man, he loved God, his family and country. He was known for his passion for granite, enjoying countless conversations about the industry, as well as his love of fishing, hunting and music.

Flash had a gift for making people feel welcome. Genuine and kind, he met everyone with warmth, a positive attitude, and a great sense of humor with laughter never far away.

Flash served our country in the US Navy. He began his career at Cold Spring Granite, starting humbly by digging ditches. Through dedication and hard work he became Executive Vice President before retiring at age 62. His passion for the industry never faded, and he continued consulting and selling granite for another 30 years, leaving a lasting mark on the industry he loved.

Flash is survived by his wife, Bernie; his children, Nitz (Bruce) Weber, Paul (Gail), daughter-in-law Rose, John (Jan), Luke (Kim), James and Greg

(Steph); daughter-in-law, Mary Nierenhausen; brother, Wally; brother-in-law, George Koebl; 22 grandchildren; and many great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Frank and Betty (Schmitt) Nierenhausen; his siblings, Delphine Stein, Meryl Koebl, and Donald (Bud); his son Mark; and his grandsons Keith and Patrick.

Flash's passion for life, generosity, strong work ethic, and ability to always make room for laughter will live on in the hearts of all who knew and loved him.

Mass of Christian Burial will be at 3:30 p.m. Monday, January 12, 2026, at St. Boniface Catholic Church in Cold Spring, MN. Visitation will be from 11:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. in the church narthex and the Rosary will be prayed at 3:00 p.m. Burial will take place in the St. Boniface Parish Cemetery in Cold Spring. The service will be livestreamed at www.christcatholic.com.

A special thank you to St. Croix Hospice for the wonderful care.

Cemetery Details

St. Boniface Parish Cemetery

Cold Spring, MN 56320

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 12. 11:00 AM - 3:00 PM (CT)

St. Boniface Church Narthex
501 Main Street
Cold Spring, MN 56320

Rosary

JAN 12. 3:00 PM (CT)

St. Boniface Church Narthex
501 Main Street
Cold Spring, MN 56320

Mass

JAN 12. 3:30 PM (CT)

St. Boniface Catholic Church
501 Main Street
Cold Spring, MN 56320

Tribute Wall

TK

“ A true friend and great source of knowledge for our community. His wit and willingness to share with others is what I will remember most. He is a example of what we should try to replicate in our lives. Im already missing the phone calls we had together, and may he rest in peace.

Tom Kiess - January 10 at 08:06 PM

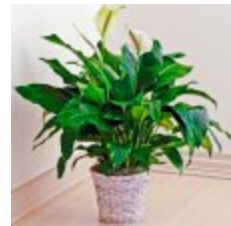
TA

“ Tom A. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Sylvan "Flash" Nierenhausen.

Tom A. - January 10 at 07:54 PM

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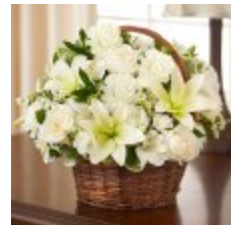
“ River of Life Church purchased the Floor Plant for Sympathy for the family of Sylvan "Flash" Nierenhausen.



River of Life Church - January 09 at 02:08 PM



“ Peace, Prayers, & Blessings- All White was purchased for the family of Sylvan "Flash" Nierenhausen.



January 09 at 01:17 PM

LN

“ Luke & Jamee Nierenhausen planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Sylvan "Flash" Nierenhausen.

Luke & Jamee Nierenhausen - January 09 at 01:17 PM

SF

“ Flash truly was an original, a man of God and great co-worker. He will always be remembered for his kindness and compassion. A man to be admired for sure. He is now in the arms of our Lord.

Shirley Fiala - January 09 at 10:43 AM



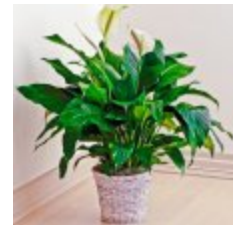
“ Classic Sympathy Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Sylvan "Flash" Nierenhausen.



January 08 at 09:20 PM



“ Floor Plant for Sympathy was purchased for the family of Sylvan "Flash" Nierenhausen.



January 08 at 06:43 PM

BC

“ *Barb and Rob Cureton planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Sylvan "Flash" Nierenhausen.*

Barb and Rob Cureton - January 08 at 06:43 PM



“ *Shades of Purple was purchased for the family of Sylvan "Flash" Nierenhausen.*



January 08 at 06:12 PM

YF

“ *Your BLACLA-CC friends purchased the European Sympathy Dish Garden for the family of Sylvan "Flash" Nierenhausen.*



Your BLACLA-CC friends - January 08 at 02:37 PM