

Minnesota Valley Funeral Home

The Honorable Noah S. Rosenbloom

(September 30, 1924 - January 15, 2014)

NEW ULM



The Hon. Noah S. Rosenbloom, age 89, died peacefully on Jan 15, 2014 at Reflections on German, New Ulm, MN. Services will be held at Nora Unitarian Universalist Church, Hanska, MN

Sunday January 19, 2014 at 2 p.m. Visitation will be held Saturday from 4-7 p.m. at the Minnesota Valley Funeral home, NORTH CHAPEL in New Ulm and from 7:30 - 11:00 a.m. Sunday at the funeral home and will continue for one hour prior to the time of service at the church on Sunday.

Noah is survived by his wife of 60 years, Janet; their 4 children and spouses: David Rosenbloom and Annie Handford, St. Paul, MN; Sara Rosenbloom and Greg Peters, Laconia, NH; Nan (Nancy) Rosenbloom and Alan Bol, Boulder, CO; and Thomas (Tom) Rosenbloom and Michelle Brim, Webster City, IA; six grandchildren: Ben, Alec, and Leah Peters, Isaac Rosenbloom, and Nathan and Eva Rosenbloom-Bol; his brother and sister-in-law Amos Rosenbloom and Marsha McDonald, in-laws Reva Rosenbloom, Barbara and Don Joseph, and John and Evelyn Biesterfeldt, and many nieces and nephews. Noah was preceded in death by his parents Eli and Esther Rosenbloom, his sister and brother-in-law Jean Ann (Maanit) and Willie Tsoran (Kibbutz Sasa, Israel), and his infant son, Mark Rosenbloom.

Noah graduated from Washburn High School in Minneapolis in 1942. While in college he spent 2 summers as a SPAN exchange student in London, before graduating from the U of MN. Noah was a 1952 graduate of the U of MN Law School and a long-time member of the MN Bar Association. He began practicing law with his father, Eli Rosenbloom, in Redwood Falls, MN, then served as a Minnesota District Court Judge from 1963 to his retirement in 1990. Noah was an aviation enthusiast, obtaining his private pilot's license and purchasing a WWII surplus airplane while in college. He was a long-time member of the AOPA and EAA, and in retirement built an experimental RV4 airplane. Noah was on active duty in the U.S. Navy from 1942 to 1946, and spent 20 years in the Naval Reserve, retiring as a Lieutenant Commander.

Noah was a dedicated bicyclist, and could frequently be seen pedaling to and from the Brown County Courthouse or on errands around New Ulm. His enthusiasm extended into retirement as he and Janet took frequent bike rides and joined 3 Elderhostel bicycling trips in Europe. Noah's many hobbies included carpentry, masonry, furniture making, sailing, and

model aircraft building. He loved classical music and was an avid reader and collector of books. A strong community supporter, Noah participated in Bike MS, Crop Walk and Habitat for Humanity. He was a long-time active member of Nora Unitarian Universalist Church, serving on the board and singing in the choir.

A strong advocate for human rights, Noah was appointed by Governor Orville Freeman to the Review Panel for the Fair Employment Practices Commission in 1956. In 1962, Noah was instrumental in helping the victims of the Reverse Freedom Rides whereby Southern segregationists paid bus fare to send African Americans to northern cities with the promise of non-existent jobs. Noah and his wife Janet also participated in a program that placed urban youth from the Minneapolis Metro area with families in small communities to offer them an alternative to inner-city life.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be given to Nora Unitarian Universalist Church or to the donor's charity of choice. www.mvfh.org