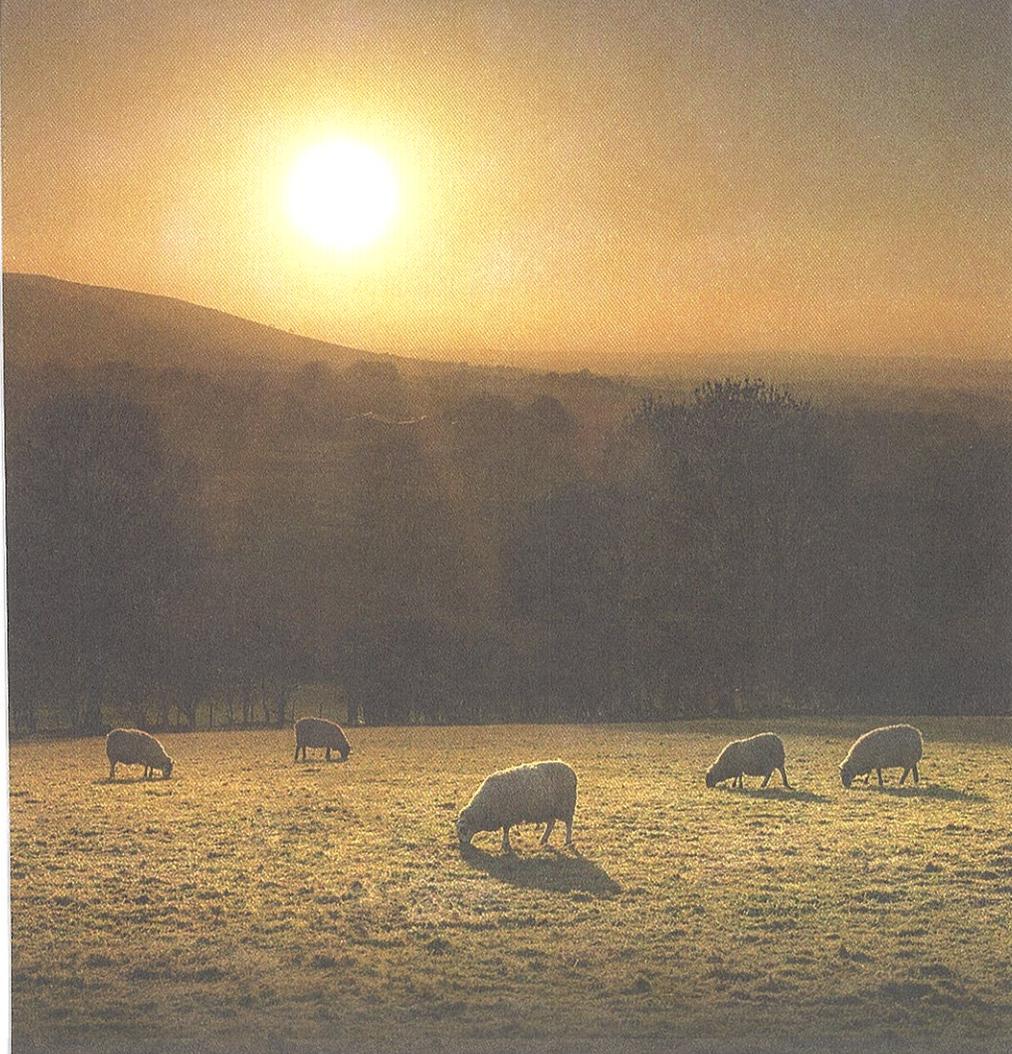


In Memory

*The LORD is my shepherd,
I lack nothing.*

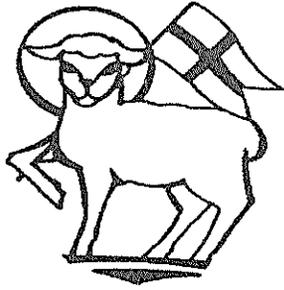
PSALM 23:1 (NIV)



Psalm 118:17

I shall not die, but live, and declare the works of the Lord.

The Funeral of
Eugene Thomas Kittredge
August 16, 2025



“Jesus is the Way, the Truth, and the Life”

WE CALL UPON THE LORD

INVOCATION

- P** *In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.*
- C** Amen.

REMEMBRANCE OF BAPTISM

- P** *In Holy Baptism Eugene Thomas Kittredge was clothed with the robe of Christ's righteousness that covers all his sin. St. Paul says: Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death?*
- C** **We were therefore buried with Him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we, too, might walk in newness of life. For if we have been united with Him in a death like his, we shall certainly be united with Him in a resurrection like His. (Rom. 6: 3-5)**

KYRIE

- P** *Lord, have mercy upon us.*
- C** **Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.**

SALUTATION AND PRAYER OF THE DAY

P *The Lord be with you.*

G **And also with you.**

P *Let us pray.*

..... one God, now and forever.

G **Amen.**

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

PSALM 23

¹The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want.

²He makes me lie down in green pastures.

He leads me beside still waters.

³He restores my soul.

He leads me in paths of righteousness

for his name's sake.

⁴Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,

I will fear no evil,

for you are with me;

your rod and your staff,

they comfort me.

⁵You prepare a table before me

in the presence of my enemies;

you anoint my head with oil;

my cup overflows.

⁶Surely goodness and love shall follow me

all the days of my life,

and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD

forever.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

EPISTLE Romans 8:31-39

³¹What then shall we say to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us? ³²He who did not spare his own Son but gave him up for us all, how will he not also with him graciously

give us all things? ³³Who shall bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. ³⁴Who is to condemn? Christ Jesus is the one who died—more than that, who was raised—who is at the right hand of God, who indeed is interceding for us. ³⁵Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or danger, or sword? ³⁶As it is written,

“For your sake we are being killed all the day long;
we are regarded as sheep to be slaughtered.”

³⁷No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. ³⁸For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, ³⁹nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

¹³But we do not want you to be uninformed, brothers, about those who are asleep, that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope. ¹⁴For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have fallen asleep. ¹⁵For this we declare to you by a word from the Lord,^[a] that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will not precede those who have fallen asleep. ¹⁶For the Lord himself will descend from heaven with a cry of command, with the voice of an archangel, and with the sound of the trumpet of God. And the dead in Christ will rise first. ¹⁷Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air, and so we will always be with the Lord. ¹⁸Therefore encourage one another with these words.

Revelation 21:1-7

Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. ²And I saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. ³And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, “Behold, the dwelling place of God is with man. He will dwell with them, and they will

be his people, and God himself will be with them as their God ⁴ He will wipe away every tear from their eyes, and death shall be no more, neither shall there be mourning, nor crying, nor pain anymore, for the former things have passed away.”

⁵ And he who was seated on the throne said, “Behold, I am making all things new.” Also he said, “Write this down, for these words are trustworthy and true.” ⁶ And he said to me, “It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give from the spring of the water of life without payment. ⁷ The one who conquers will have this heritage, and I will be his God and he will be my son.

After the reading:

P *This is the Word of the Lord.*

C **Thanks be to God.**

HOLY GOSPEL John 11:17–27, 32–44

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the eleventh chapter.

C **Glory to you, O Lord.**

¹⁷ Now when Jesus came, he found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb four days. ¹⁸ Bethany was near Jerusalem, about two miles off, ¹⁹ and many of the Jews had come to Martha and Mary to console them concerning their brother. ²⁰ So when Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went and met him, but Mary remained seated in the house. ²¹ Martha said to Jesus, “Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. ²² But even now I know that whatever you ask from God, God will give you.” ²³ Jesus said to her, “Your brother will rise again.” ²⁴ Martha said to him, “I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day.” ²⁵ Jesus said to her, “I am the resurrection and the life. Whoever believes in me, though he die, yet shall he live, ²⁶ and everyone who lives and believes in me shall never die. Do you believe this?” ²⁷ She said to him, “Yes, Lord; I believe that you are the Christ, the Son of God, who is coming into the world.”

³² Now when Mary came to where Jesus was and saw him, she fell at his feet, saying to him, “Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died.” ³³ When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who had come with her also weeping, he was deeply moved

in his spirit and greatly troubled. ³⁴ And he said, "Where have you laid him?" They said to him, "Lord, come and see." ³⁵ Jesus wept. ³⁶ So the Jews said, "See how he loved him!" ³⁷ But some of them said, "Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man also have kept this man from dying?"

³⁸ Then Jesus, deeply moved again, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone lay against it. ³⁹ Jesus said, "Take away the stone." Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, "Lord, by this time there will be an odor, for he has been dead four days." ⁴⁰ Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you believed you would see the glory of God?" ⁴¹ So they took away the stone. And Jesus lifted up his eyes and said, "Father, I thank you that you have heard me. ⁴² I knew that you always hear me, but I said this on account of the people standing around, that they may believe that you sent me." ⁴³ When he had said these things, he cried out with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out." ⁴⁴ The man who had died came out, his hands and feet bound with linen strips, and his face wrapped with a cloth. Jesus said to them, "Unbind him, and let him go."

After the reading:

P *This is the Gospel of the Lord.*

G **Praise to You, O Christ.**

APOSTLES' CREED

P *God has made us His people through our Baptism into Christ.
Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith.*

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.**

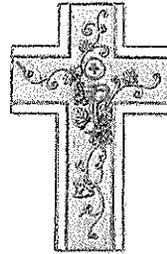
**And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried.**

He descended into hell.

The third day He rose again from the dead.

He ascended into heaven

and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.



From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life ☩ everlasting. Amen.

SERMON "Love Leads to the Resurrection"

WE SPEAK TO THE LORD

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

(Each petition ends in this manner)

P ...Lord, in your mercy.

C hear our prayer.

(The final petition ends in this manner)

P ... one God, now and forever.

C Amen

LORD'S PRAYER

P Taught by our Lord and trusting His promises, we are bold to pray:

**Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name,
Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth
As it is in heaven;**

Give us this day our daily bread;

**And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those
Who trespass against us;**

**And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory
forever and ever. Amen.**

NUNC DIMITTIS

P "I am the resurrection and the life," says the Lord. "He who believes in Me will live, even though he dies, and whoever lives and believes in Me will never die."

C Lord, now You let Your servant go in peace;
Your word has been fulfilled.

**My own eyes have seen the salvation
which You have prepared in the sight of every people:
A light to reveal You to the nations**

And the glory of Your people Israel.
Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

P *"I am the resurrection and the life," says the Lord. "He who believes in Me will live, even though he dies; and whoever lives and believes in Me will never die."*

COLLECT

P *The Lord be with you.*

C **And also with you.**

P *Let us pray.*

..... one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

WE RECEIVE THE LORD'S BLESSING

BENEDICAMUS AND BENEDICTION

P *Let us bless the Lord*

C **Thanks be to God.**

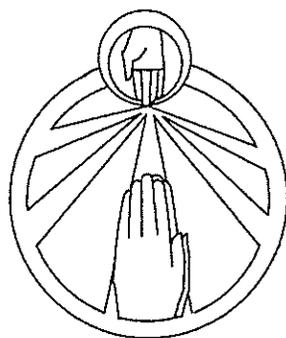
P *The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and I give you peace.*

C **Amen.**

P *Let us go forth in peace.*

C **In the name of the Lord. Amen.**

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Eugene Thomas Kittredge

January 23, 1946 — August 8, 2025

Eugene Thomas Kittredge, of Menomonee Falls, Wisconsin, passed away peacefully on August 8, 2025, at the age of 79. He was reunited in Heaven with his parents, John and Grace (Gintz) Kittredge, and his grandchildren, Conor Kittredge, Allison Strahlendorf, and Tyler Kittredge.

Eugene is survived by his sister, Barbara (Jeffrey) Joseph; his former wife but lifelong friend, Sheron Kittredge (Jim Toson) ; and his children: Eugene (Raquel) Kittredge, Lisa (Jeff) Schwigel, John (Wendy) Kittredge, Holly Kittredge (Nic Ehr), and Travis Kittredge (Dee Duke). He was a devoted grandfather to 21 grandchildren and 24 great-grandchildren, all of whom he loved dearly. Eugene is also survived by his long-time companion, Donna Koepp, who remained faithfully by his side till the end. Eugene is further survived by nieces and nephews and many friends and acquaintances.

Eugene began his working life as a teenager at the family's business, Kitt's Frozen Custard, a well-known drive-in custard stand in Milwaukee. After Eugene married his high school sweetheart-Sherry, he left Kitt's and tried other trades where he gained machining experience at Master Lock and then construction for Milwaukee County. But after realizing he didn't care for that work he returned to the family business, working alongside his father learning the business from the ground up and eventually taking ownership when his father retired in 1983. Eugene became the third and final generation of the founding family to operate the restaurant, which became an iconic Milwaukee establishment under the family's ownership.

Eugene enjoyed many hobbies. He loved fishing, boating, hunting and being Up North with his family. He loved to share his up north memories of fishing with his dad and friends at North Twin Lake. Eugene had a passion for classic cars and loved going to car shows. But he will be best remembered for his love of the oldies, his bellowing voice on car rides and getting out on the dance floor. Eugene loved the past; he loved the time he spent growing up as a kid and shared endless stories about those days. He had a memory for details and his stories just took you to that place and time he

was sharing. He wanted people to smile and be happy and he often shared the stories of his childhood best friends, that were lost in the war, he felt in a way that he needed to be happy and at times live for them, to make their sacrifice personal to him. Eugene reflected a spirit of thankfulness and humbleness and lived each day to the fullest, with great appreciation for life.

Eugene will be remembered for his dedication to family, his never-ending jokes, his bellowing voice when singing to the oldies, and the loudest clanks of the cow bell during the Brewer Games. His legacy lives on in the hearts of those he loved and all who had the privilege to get to know him.

Eugene had a significant interest in the General Society of Mayflower Descendants, inspired by a multi-year ancestry research project, by Jeff Schwigel, of the Kittredge family, dating back to England 1560. Contributions to the Society as a memorial to Eugene would be appreciated. Going to the General Society of Mayflower Descendants online will take you to “ways to give.” Heartfelt thanks from the Kittredge family.