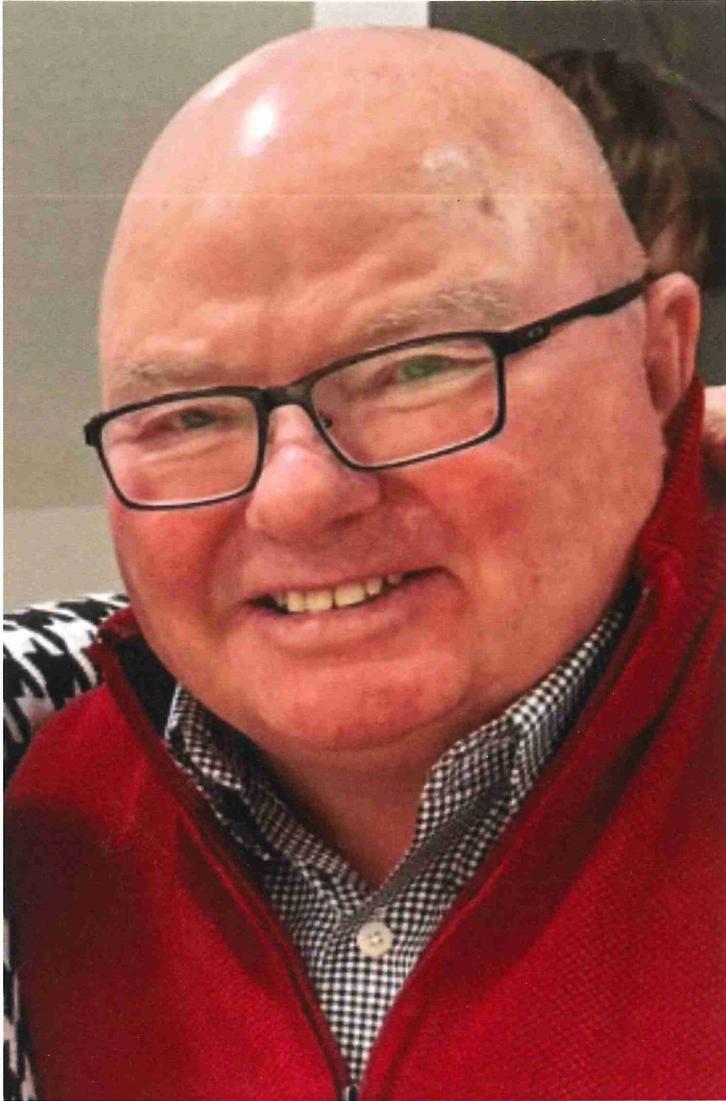


In Loving Memory of



Lawrence Charles Jordan  
“Larry”  
1942 – 2025

Larry C. Jordan of Brooklyn Park, Minnesota, passed away peacefully on August 25, 2025, at the age of 82. Larry was a devoted husband, father, grandfather, brother, and successful businessman. He lived a life grounded in faith, family, friendship, and humor. With his playful spirit and positive outlook, Larry touched the lives of everyone he met.

Born on December 6, 1942, in Minneapolis, Minnesota, Larry was the oldest of eleven children of Laurence and Marguerite (Patnode) Jordan. Growing up near his grandparents in Hamel, he often said he was blessed with “the two best grandpas a boy could hope for.”

As a young man, Larry spent time playing on the ballfields of Hamel and wrestled for St. John’s Prep and Wayzata High School. At 17, he enlisted in the U.S. Army as a nuclear warhead specialist, serving in Germany and witnessing the building of the Berlin Wall. Upon his return to Minnesota he became a pipefitter with the Local 539 Union and in 1967, while at an infamous “kegger,” Larry met the love of his life, Renee. They married a year later, settling first in Corcoran where Larry helped establish the Corcoran Park.

Later in 1979 they moved to Roseville after purchasing Axel Newman Heating and Plumbing with partners Jerry Poser and Ron Pearson. The company, later renamed NewMech, grew into one of the largest mechanical contractors in the Twin Cities. Larry also served on numerous boards, including the MMCA, SMARCA, Local 455 JATC Apprenticeship Board, the Pipe Trades Health & Welfare Board, Selective Service Board, St. John’s Prep Board and Totino-Grace President’s Council.

Despite his demanding career, Larry remained deeply involved in his children’s lives—coaching their teams in baseball, football, and wrestling, volunteering at Totino-Grace, and even pursuing an MBA in his forties. He was a man who valued hard work, education, and setting an example for the next generation.

Larry and Renee found joy in hosting family and friends at their cabin in Balsam Lake, Wisconsin, where boating, water skiing, campfires, and storytelling created lasting memories. Later, they enjoyed winters in Bonita Springs, Florida, where they continued their tradition of hospitality, welcoming loved ones to share in days at the beach, on the golf course, or by the pool.

Above all, Larry was most proud of his role as husband, father, and grandfather. He rarely missed a game, recital, or concert, always cheering the loudest and believing fiercely in the potential of his children and grandchildren.

Even as his mobility declined in later years, Larry remained active with Renee by his side, attending church, family events, and community gatherings—often as the life of the party, armed with a quick joke and his trademark Irish twinkle. He will be remembered for his wisdom, generosity, humor, and deep love for his family.

Larry is survived by his beloved wife of 57 years, Renee (Schmidt); his children Peter (Katie Kurn) Jordan, Paul (Amy Bizal) Jordan, and Kristina (Paul) Nelson; grandchildren Isabelle, Mathew, Frankie, Emily and Luke Jordan and Caroline, Greta, and Lars Nelson; siblings Mary (Barney) Marquette, Linda (Wayne) Fleck, Tom Jordan, Jerry (Pam) Jordan, Dick (Karen) Jordan, Judy (Rance) Baker, Craig Jordan, Ken (Melissa) Jordan and brother in-law Jeff Melin; in-laws Ron (Rene) Schmidt, Roy Schmidt, Randy (Cheryl) Schmidt, Becky (Steve) Neumann, Rick (Deb) Schmidt, Rodger (Sandi) Schmidt, Ruth (Kevin) Isaacson, Russell (Mary) Schmidt, Robert (Carol) Schmidt, Ralph (Cecelia) Schmidt, Rosie Schmidt and Mona (Karen) Schmidt, many close, wonderful nieces and nephews and his longtime Corcoran Group of friends.

Larry was preceded in death by his parents Laurence Jordan, Marguerite Jordan, in-laws Hugh and Edith (Spurzem) Schmidt, brother Fritz and wife Peggy (Arens) Jordan, sister Peggi (Jordan) Melin, and several nieces and nephews.

Larry's legacy is one of faith, family, and love. His humor, kindness, and unwavering devotion to those around him made the world a brighter place. He will be deeply missed and forever remembered.



“If I know what love is, it is because of you.”

Hermann Hesse



“A faithful man will abound with blessings.”

Proverbs 28:20

