



# Mark H. Gruesner

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## Obituary for Mark H. Gruesner

Mark H. Gruesner, loving husband, father, grandfather "Bappi", age 70, passed away on November 27, 2022, at his home, surrounded by family. He is survived by his wife of 46 years, Carolyn Manion Gruesner; daughter, Lauren Percic (Mike); three adoring grandchildren, Anna, Emma and Luca Percic; sister, Cookie Hosfield (Rick); Aunt, Charlotte Berke (Lanny); sister-in-law, Cathy Norgard (Chuck); nieces and nephews, Tara Norgard (Kevin Skow), Michael Gruesner (Terri), Adam Hosfield (Heather), Erin Copa (Mike), Brian Hosfield (Emma); numerous grand nieces, nephews and cousins. Preceded in death by parents, Gladys and Mandel Gruesner.

Mark grew up in St. Louis Park, where he met many of his lifelong friends. He knew at an early age that he wanted to become an attorney. Mark graduated from the University of Minnesota earning a B.A. in Speech Communications before earning his Juris Doctor degree in 1977 from Hamline University School of Law. While attending law school he served as a Special Term Law Clerk in Hennepin County District Court. After practicing at several law firms, Mark joined Schwebel, Goetz & Sieben in 1986 where he practiced as a trial lawyer achieving justice for thousands of people impacted by injuries and wrongful death. Many of his clients became lifelong friends and his dedication to them endured far beyond the courtroom. He was a pillar of the Schwebel, Goetz & Sieben law firm where he was a trusted friend and colleague mentoring many young lawyers.

Although his professional accolades are many, his greatest pride came from generations of law students he and his close friend, Judge Allen Oleisky, mentored and taught to be trial lawyers while adjunct professors at Hamline University School of Law. His legacy lives on in each of them.

With a quick wit, impeccable style and a sparkle in his eye, Mark's favorite view of life was from behind the lens. His photographs of family, friends, pets and flowers adorn the shelves of family and friends from all aspects of his life. He captured the best in people and in life, particularly those of his three adored grandchildren, Anna, Emma and Luca.

Mark loved golf, tennis and bowling. He was a sports enthusiast always cheering on his beloved Minnesota Twins and Gophers. He had a passion for cars, particularly convertibles, and could be seen frequently cruising Lake of the Isles, Harriet and Bede Maka Ska.



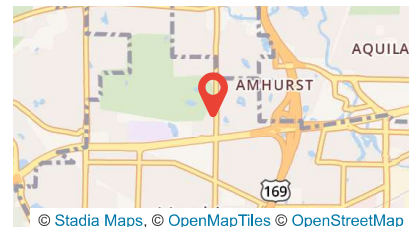
Family and friends are welcome to a Celebration of Mark's Life on December 11, 2022, at 4:30 pm at Oak Ridge Country Club, 700 Oak Ridge Road, Hopkins, MN. Also available on zoom, email [zoom4@hodroffepstein.com](mailto:zoom4@hodroffepstein.com) for the link. In lieu of flowers memorials can be made in his honor to the Wiggle Your Toes Foundation (<https://wiggleyourtoes.org>) or Michael J. Fox Foundation for Parkinson's Research (<https://www.michaeljfox.org>)

## Upcoming Events

### Celebration of Life

DEC 11. 4:30 PM (CT)

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