

Kenneth G. McAdams

Kenneth G. McAdams, age 68 of Altoona, WI died Tuesday, February 23, 2010 at Luther Hospital in Eau Claire, WI of complications due to pulmonary fibrosis. Ken was born in Detroit, MI to Carl and Emily McAdams. He graduated in 1966 from UW Eau Claire and then went on to get his Master's Degree in Urban Planning at Wayne State University. He began his career as an assistant city planner in Eau Claire and later became the city planner in Battle Creek, MI. He returned to Eau Claire in 1980 to work as a business developer. Ken retired from Forward Wisconsin after 13 years of bringing numerous businesses and jobs to western Wisconsin.



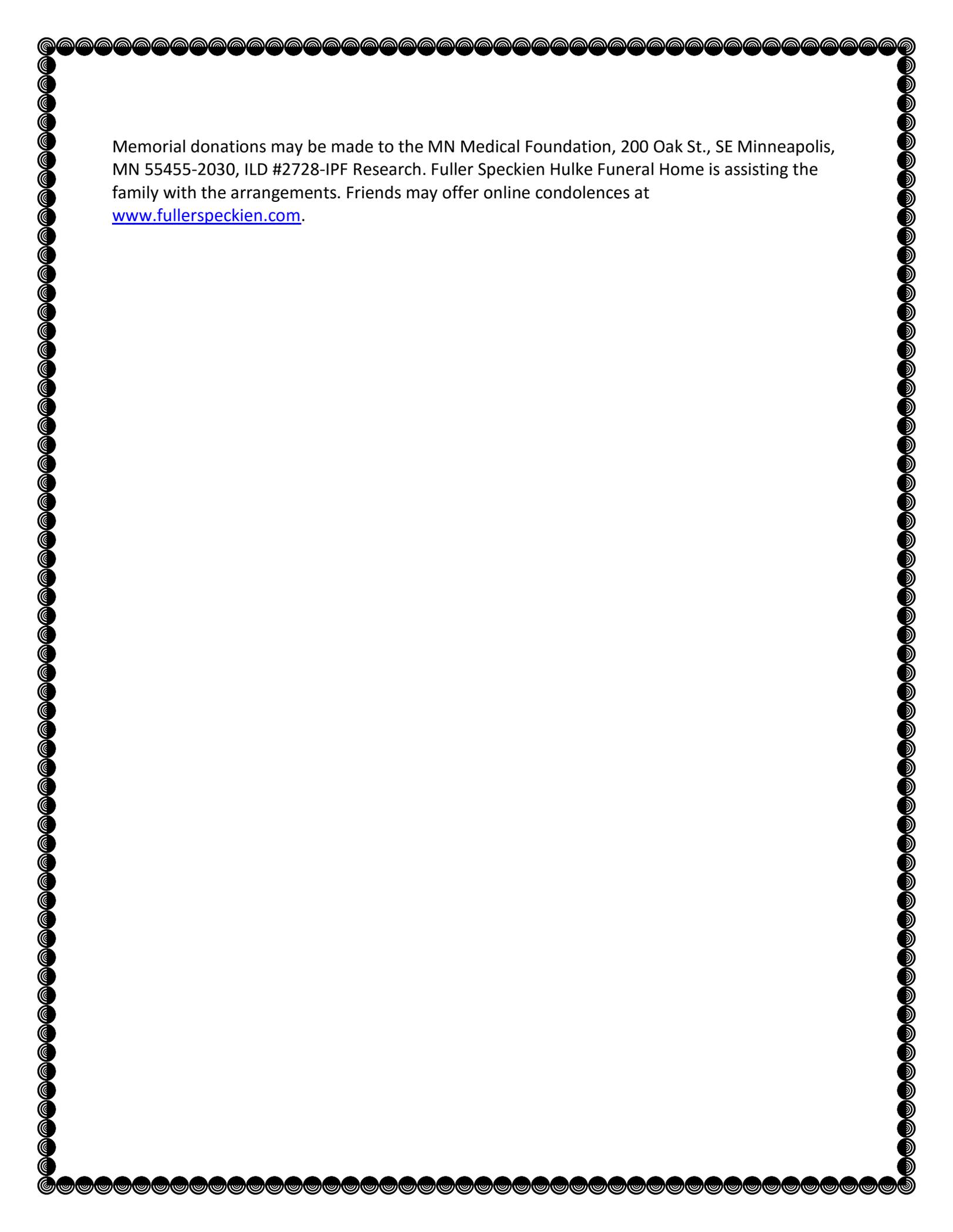
Ken enjoyed playing golf and basketball, travelling, spending time with his family, and relaxing at the family cottage in northern Wisconsin. He was a caring husband and a loving, gentle father who cherished his children. A dedicated and attentive dad, he was always available for advice, willing to lend a hand and a hug to let you know he loved you. He treasured his time as a grandpa, reading books, playing ball, taking walks, and kissing his grandchildren goodnight. Always showing interest in others, he would strike up a conversation with anyone, and could initiate a lasting friendship during a brief plane flight.

He had a heart for helping others. Ken spent many years volunteering as a grade school football and basketball coach and for the EC Regis Booster Club. After retirement, Ken spent time as a mentor with the UWEC Entrepreneur program and volunteering at the UWEC Career Services as well as the Salvation Army.

Ken is preceded in death by his parents, Carl and Emily McAdams; and brother-in-law, Michael Prissel. He is survived by his wife Barbara; his children, Ryan (Audrey) McAdams, Carrie (Jaideep) Joshi, and Sean (fiancee Alison) McAdams; grandchildren, Kiran, Mira, and Raina Joshi, and Moriah McAdams; brothers, Gilbert (Peggy) and Bruce McAdams; mother and father-in-law, Rosemary and Ray Prissel; sisters-in-law, Patti (Gary) Imbery, Sue (Mark) Tomasi, and Mikki (Bret) Showers; nieces and nephews.

Ken's family would like to extend our thanks to the entire staff at Luther Hospital CCU for their professional, compassionate and personal care of our husband, father, grandfather and friend. It was appreciated beyond words. The family would also like to thank Dr. Stephen Rogers and Dr. Timothy Whelan for their constant support and care.

Visitation will be Friday, March 5 from 4-8 p.m. at Fuller Speckien Hulke Funeral Home, 3209 Rudolph Road, Eau Claire, WI. Mass of Christian Burial Saturday, March 6th, 11 am at Immaculate Conception Catholic Church, 1712 Highland Ave., Eau Claire, with visitation one hour prior to Mass. Father Eugene Klink will be officiating services. Private Interment will be held following Mass.



Memorial donations may be made to the MN Medical Foundation, 200 Oak St., SE Minneapolis, MN 55455-2030, ILD #2728-IPF Research. Fuller Speckien Hulke Funeral Home is assisting the family with the arrangements. Friends may offer online condolences at www.fullerspeckien.com.