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### **Christensen, Robert F.**



Passed away peacefully surrounded by family November 24, 2008. Born October 10, 1914. Preceded in death by children, Ann, Matthew, Nicholas. Survived by the love of his life, Marge, wife of 69 years; children, Bob (Nancy), Steve (Cathie), Muggsy Ferber (Rich), Katy, Bert (Sheila), Mary Pat Gates (Tim), Joe (Teresa); 22 grandchildren; 26 great-grandchildren. Bob was an Eagle Scout; graduate of Madelia HS '32, St. Mary's U. Winona '36, M. Ed. U of M '37. He taught physics and math at St. Thomas Academy, started the swim program at STA and the U of St. Thomas where he also coached track and football. Was a 33 year employee of 3M, served as a Rep. in MN State Leg. 8 years; Exec. Dir. of MN Assoc. Rehab Fac; ordained Deacon, Duluth Diocese '82; a friend of Bill W. Retired to Whitefish Lake. Bob, along with Marge, enjoyed a love of family and friends and created a legacy of faith, fun, and enjoyment of the outdoors. A special tradition was their annual Grandchildren's Week at their beloved lake home, Camp St. Ann, on the beautiful shores of Whitefish Lake. Bob's legacy will live on in the hearts of all those who knew him. Mass of Christian Burial 11 AM, Tuesday, December 2, 2008, at Nativity of Our Lord Catholic Church (324 S. Prior Ave @ Stanford, St. Paul). Visitation 4-7 PM, Monday (TODAY) December 1, at O'Halloran & Murphy Funeral Home (575 S. Snelling Ave, 651-698-0796), and 1 hour prior to Mass at church. Memorials preferred to Immaculate Heart of Mary Church - Building Fund, Cross Lake, MN, the Franciscan Health Community, St. Paul, MN. Private interment.

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