



Rev. Warren L. Thummel

January 23, 1932 - January 8, 2023

The Rev. Warren L. Thummel, age 90, died on Sunday, January 8, 2023 at Advocate Condell Medical Center. He was born January 23, 1932 in Sterling, IL to Leroy and Helen (Longanecker) Thummel.

He was a former resident of Glenview, Skokie, Grayslake, and has lived in Mundelein the past five years. He was a 1954 graduate of Augustana College, a 1958 graduate of the Chicago Lutheran Theological Seminary in Maywood, IL, and served as Pastor at several Lutheran Churches in the Chicagoland area.

Warren's life was shaped by his many passions including music, choir, travel, languages, and nature; and his love for camping + woodlore, diving, canoeing, cycling and storied conversation. He was a fervent ally and defender of the equality, dignity, and rights of all people, answering at great personal risk Dr. Martin Luther King's 1965 Call To March at Selma, Alabama, and again later, leading a unified front of prominent clergy in 1977 against a proposed Nazi rally in Skokie, IL. He was a friend to many and stranger to no one.

Pastor Warren Thummel is survived by his loving wife of 66 years, Marji; two children, Leslie (John) Thummel-Peterson, Hans (Kathryn) Thummel; two grandchildren, Connor, and Julia; and his four sisters, Nancy Swanson, Jane Giddings, and Jacquelin Rylander and Martha Thummel.

A visitation will be 10:00 a.m. until the funeral service at 11:30 a.m. on Saturday, January 14, 2023 at Holy Cross Lutheran Church, 1151 N. St. Mary's Road, Libertyville, IL 60048.

Memorial contributions can be made to The American Diabetes Association, online at <https://diabetes.org/>, or by mail (with form) to P.O Box 7023, Merrifield, VA 22116-7023; or to PADS Lake County at <https://www.padslakecounty.org/>.

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 14. 10:00 AM - 11:30 AM (CT)

Holy Cross Lutheran Church
1151 St. Mary's Road
Libertyville, IL 60048

Funeral Service

JAN 14. 11:30 AM - 12:30 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

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“ Was my youth Pastor in the 1970's. He was awesome and really cared about his youth

Charmaine Kane - November 02, 2023 at 10:30 PM

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“ I'm so sorry to hear of the passing of Pastor Thummel. He was my pastor for many years at Saint Timothy's Lutheran Church in Skokie. I called him pasta! He was super smart, kind, an advocate for all. I wish I would have known of his passing Because I would've attended the service. God bless you all. Deb Dinelli

Deb Dinelli - October 22, 2023 at 03:08 PM

PJ

“ Pauline, Nancy, Teresa, Donna & Jim purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Rev. Warren L. Thummel.



Pauline, Nancy, Teresa, Donna & Jim - January 13, 2023 at 03:44 PM

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“ I remember Warren at the Chicago Lutheran Theological Seminary in Maywood. May God bless his soul and those who mourn his death. "Whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's." Pastor Carl McKenzie

carl mckenzie - January 11, 2023 at 10:16 AM