## Errol C. Thompson

September 28, 1939 - March 12, 2015

1) Obit provided by Boldt Funeral Home, Faribault which is handling arrangements. Errol C. Thompson, age 75 of Faribault formerly of Washington D. C., died on Thursday, March 12, 2015 at Pleasant Manor Nursing Home, Faribault.

Private graveside services will be held later this year.
Errol, the son of Grant and Ruth (Fausch) Thompson, was born on September 28, 1939 in Waseca. He was a computer programmer for the U.S. Department of Defense.

He is survived by his five siblings, Judith (and Larry) Sanftner of Northfield, Lorely (and Ron) Lather of St. James, MO, Ava (Pastor David) Porterfield of Bryan, TX, Norman (and Jane) Thompson of Faribault and Neil (and Connie) Thompson of Firestone, CO, and; many nieces, nephews and friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

2) Additional information provided by his brother Norman. After Dartmouth he attended the Univ. of Minnesota, graduating with a degree in philosophy. He then moved to DC to theology seminary, deciding, after one year, that this was not what he wanted. In 1963 he started working, as an orderly, at hospital for the criminally insane run by the Federal Government in DC. Over qualified for this, I think.
In 1970 he took a computer class which cost him $\$ 2000$. Quite a bit of money at that time but resulted in a job with the Department of Defense. He worked in the Navy accounting office helping them set up the computer accounting system and was their main "computer guy" until retirement in 1994. He took early retirement, with a bonus, because of staff reductions caused by military downsizing at that time.
He had gotten into boating, sailboats, and spent his retirement in boat club activities, sailing schools, etc..
After he was diagnosed with Parkinson's, he moved to Houston Texas in 2007 to be near our sister there. Her situation changed so he moved back to Minnesota in 2012. So he ended up 12 miles from the place where he grew up.

