

I was born with a good set of pipes and in sixth grade transitioned directly from boy soprano to basso profundo. I have always sung with auditioned groups including the Battell Chapel Choir at Yale, the Minnesota Bach Society and the Valley Chamber Chorale. My show business career is now mostly over for lack of demand, but during the years in community theater I have been privileged to sing the roles of Jigger Cragen in *Carousel*, Alfie Doolittle in *My Fair Lady*, Buffalo Bill in *Annie Get Your Gun*, Joey in *Most Happy Fella*, Pharaoh in *Joseph* and Tevye in *Fiddler*. Now it's mostly at funerals and memorial services.

I retired early from the St. Paul law firm of Briggs and Morgan, mostly for health reasons, after 36 years of practice. Following retirement, I carted lots of my files home, just in case. I am now slowly disposing of my papers, but can't help reading some of those contracts, briefs, etc. That stuff is brilliant, absolutely brilliant.

My spare time these days is spent largely in doctor offices and surgical suites; I am definitely doing my share to help put those docs' children through college.

[Still going at 81]