



Lola Mae Hoganson

April 19, 1923 - December 29, 2020

Lola Mae Hoganson, age 97, died peacefully on December 29, 2020, with her daughters by her side. Lola was born in Borup, MN, the older of Pete and Hilda Jacobson's two children. Lola graduated from Borup High School (salutatorian) and Concordia College (1944). In Moorhead, while in college, Lola waitressed at the Bluebird café. After graduating, Lola taught high school home economics for two years in LeRoy MN and for one year in Wadena MN. During World War II she also worked in a munitions plant (like Rosie the Riveter) in Seattle, WA. In June 1947 she married Howard I. Hoganson, a high school classmate from Perley, MN who had served overseas in the US Navy. After marriage, Lola taught high school chemistry and home economics for two years in Cambridge, MN while Howard commuted to Minneapolis to finish a business degree from the U of MN (1949). Lola also taught school in Janesville MN (1 yr), worked as a personal shopper for Dayton's Department Store (1 yr) and as a lab tech for General Mills Research Lab (2 yrs) before settling in St Anthony Village, MN (STA). Lola and Howard were proud, long-time STA residents. Lola designed in detail their STA house (1954) which was home for 66+ years. Lola was homemaker extraordinaire, always busy sewing, knitting, baking, or testing new recipes. Special homemade and traditional cooking was the norm. Lefse (Selma's recipe), cinnamon rolls and personalized birthday cakes were family favorites. Precious were the days at the rustic family cabin on Lake Marquette near Bemidji, MN. She enjoyed gardening, watching wildlife, and especially, helping others. She served as a volunteer troop leader for the Campfire Girls for 6 years. During retirement, Lola and Howard tutored young STA students. Howard passed in 2012 and was greatly missed. To "Oda and Hogie" the six grandchildren were special, their pictures always front and center in their kitchen. They enjoyed attending STA sporting events, missing very few involving family. Lola was one to never complain and consistently put others first. She is survived by her sister Shelda Ann Warren of Moorhead, MN; three children, Howard Michael (Esther), Heidi Ann Hoganson and Sharon Lee Walker (Mark); six grandchildren (Emily, Matthew, Laura , Becca, Rachel & Calvin); and four great grandchildren (Etta, Oaken, Tenley, & Eli). A celebration of life is planned for spring, 2021.