



## Adrienne Knox Barnwell

September 5, 2017

Barnwell, Adrienne Knox Age 79, of Minneapolis, passed away peacefully at home on September 5, 2017. She was preceded in death by parents Everett Knox and Arlene Miller Knox. Adrienne was born on January 31, 1938, grew up in Lake Forest IL and attended Vassar College and Depauw University before graduating from Northwestern University. There she met and married Franklin Barnwell, her husband of 58 years. Both earned PhDs at Northwestern in 1965, with Adrienne's in clinical child psychology. In 1970 they moved to Minneapolis where Adrienne began a rewarding 40-year career in pediatric psychology, first as Director of Pediatric Psychology in the Pediatrics Department at Regions Hospital and then as a Lead Psychologist and Manager of the Department of Child and Family Services at Gillette Children's Specialty Health Care. Adrienne was highly respected for her empathetic and insightful care of young patients and their families and her skill in providing them with all the supporting resources of family-centered care. Adrienne loved her own family and the time she spent with her daughter and two grandchildren whom she felt blessed to have living nearby. Throughout their careers and later with their daughter Elizabeth, Adrienne and Frank took adventuresome trips to remote scientific field sites where Adrienne relished the opportunity to broaden her immersion in local cultures. Later she cherished family time and neighbors at the lake cabin in western Wisconsin. She loved the creation of beauty, whether in home decoration and gardening or with her own artistic talents. She is especially remembered by many friends

for the beautiful cards that she handcrafted for special occasions. Adrienne is survived by her husband Frank, daughter Elizabeth, and grandchildren Parker (Grubb) and Julian (Grubb). In lieu of flowers, donations can be made in her name to the Minneapolis Institute of Arts, 2400 Third Ave S, Minneapolis 55404. A service to celebrate Adrienne's life will held at the Memorial Chapel of Lakewood Cemetery, 3600 Henne-pin Ave. S., Minneapolis at 2:00 PM on Friday Sept. 22 with a visitation at 1:30 PM. washburn-mcreavy.com 612-377-2203

# Previous Events

## Visitation

SEP **22**. 1:30 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Lakewood Chapel  
3600 Hennepin Ave S  
Minneapolis, MN 55408  
(612) 822-2171

## Celebration of Life

SEP **22**. 2:00 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of  
*Adrienne Knox Barnwell.*



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“ To Adrienne's family, many share your grief. You were central to her being and she talked of you a lot to those of us who spent time with her. She will never be far from your hearts.

*I worked with Adrienne for a number of years at Gillette and, after we both retired, we worked on a research project at Gillette.*

*I have fond memories of her as a storyteller.....the creatures crawling out of the suitcase on the flight back from island scientific research study and the famous hat she conceived for the Kentucky Derby.*

*I looked forward to her artistic creations in the personalized cards she sent and have saved some to remember her.*

*She was one of the most caring and insightful folks I have known. Her quiet presence and her way of teaching as she told stories of her experiences with patients, I will always remember.*

*She was a courageous advocate for psychology, in her no nonsense way, and protected many of us in difficult times.*

*Godspeed, Adrienne. The world will miss your gentle presence and awesome contributions to the lives of many.*

*Suzanne Wright*

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**Suzanne Wright** - September 10, 2017 at 06:24 PM