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Anne Lucille Johnson, 94, of Bloomington, Minnesota passed away in Woodbury, Minnesota on January 31, 2024. Anne was born in Minneapolis, Minnesota on June 28, 1929, to Eric and Della Johnson. She attended South High School in Minneapolis, MN and, after graduating in January 1948, immediately began working in IDS's printing department (now Ameriprise Financial). Anne worked for IDS for 41 years in the printing department moving to the copy center when the company moved to digital print.

Anne loved her family and close group of girlfriends. Her friends said she would often share stories of her nieces and nephews, and grandnieces and grandnephew when they were together. Anne enjoyed family visits and liked to tell the story of how her brother Marvin flew her down to Spencer, IA for a visit with his family. Anne also enjoyed spending time with her brother "Donnie" and his family at the cabin and holidays. Her group of girlfriends got together each month to celebrate the "Birthdays of the Month" at someone's home and met for breakfast every Saturday morning.

Faith and church were a big part of Anne's life. She attended Bethesda Free

Church for 50 years and served in various ministries: deaconess board, choir, and Girl's Club. In 2005 when Bethesda Free Church moved to Prior Lake, she joined First Free Church Minneapolis's Fellowship. She continued to serve as a greeter, and helped serve for memorial services, weddings, and any event where food (and coffee) was served.

Anne loved to serve others. This was best demonstrated by how she helped care for her friend and roommate who developed Parkinson's Disease. If Anne knew you were looking for something she would search for your item when out shopping on her own. If you were getting together, she would often bring a treat to share or send home with you.

To know Anne was to know her passion for all things athletic. Although tennis was her first love, she took up golf in retirement and soon grew passionate about that sport as well. She also played volleyball, softball (most notably for the Minneapolis Park and Rec team "The Orphans"), and basketball, including on the IDS team. Athletics also created a focal point for many trips with friends be it bicycling in Vermont (and elsewhere) or the annual cross-country skiing pilgrimage to Grand Marais, MN which they enjoyed so much they expanded it to include hiking and shopping in more temperate months. Anne also used athletics to connect with her extended family faithfully attending grandnieces' and grandnephew's events all over the state including softball games, football games, and dog agility events.

A more hidden interest of hers was music. Embracing the unusual, Anne played both the 12-bass accordion and the ukulele and enjoyed attending grandnieces' and grandnephew's choir and band concerts.

As many of you know, three years ago Anne moved to Artis Senior Living of Woodbury - a memory care facility. Alzheimer's is a cruel disease. Family and friends grieved as we watched it steal the life from Anne, gradually quenching

her previously irrepressible spirit. The family would like to thank the staff at Artis for their sustained kindness and care for Anne these past three years.

Anne is survived by her nephews Rick Johnson, Greg Johnson, Randy Johnson, Brad Johnson, and David Johnson, and nieces Barbara Stodolka, Jodi Miller, and Kari Smart. She was predeceased by her brothers Donald Johnson and Marvin Johnson and her parents Eric and Della Johnson. Funeral details below under Upcoming Events.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made in Anne's name to the Alzheimer's Association (<https://www.alz.org/research>) or the First Free Summer Camp Scholarship Program ([office@firstfreechurch.org](mailto:office@firstfreechurch.org)).

# Cemetery Details

## Sunset Memorial Park (Minneapolis)

2250 Saint Anthony Boulevard  
Minneapolis, MN 55418

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB 12. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

First Evangelical Free Church  
5150 Chicago Avenue South  
Minneapolis, MN

## Church Service

FEB 12. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

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5150 Chicago Avenue South  
Minneapolis, MN

## Graveside Service

FEB 12. 2:00 PM - 2:30 PM (CT)

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