



## Dorothy Butterwick Harrison

April 21, 2002

Dorothy Christobel Butterwick Harrison, 88, passed away on April 7 at the end of a six year struggle with Alzheimer's. She was born on December 23, 1914 in Washington, D.C., where her father worked for the North Dakota Congressman, which may have led to her life long passion for politics and history. She grew up in Minnewauken, ND, where she had four friends known as the "gang of five" who were part of her life through marriage, child raising and retirement. She married her college sweetheart, Stuart Harrison, and they had six children. Doug, Dianne, Carol, Barbara, Ben and Sara were the center of her life from early 1940's. With great sorrow, the family lost Ben to cancer in 1991, yet she continued to demonstrate her great heart and strength of character through this tragedy. She was an eternal optimist with boundless energy. In her forties she returned to the University to earn her masters degree and became a special education teacher. In her fifties she took up downhill skiing so she could join family outings. She found adventure with Stuart through travel to the four corners of the world. Although afraid of water, she learned to swim so she would easily live in the land of lakes. She also took great joy in her grandchildren, James, Kathy, Karen, Jessica, Nick, Katie, Elle, Sally, Paul and Max. Together, they enjoyed years of treasure hunts and card games at their cabin at Child Lake. It was that sense of adventure and wonder we'll remember and miss. And always that spirit of fun and the warmth of her love. A memorial service will be held at St. Luke's Episcopal Church, 46th St. & Colfax in South Minneapolis on April 27th at 2 PM for family and

friends. Washburn-McReavy Edina Chapel 952-920-3996