



Eileen R Blixrud

February 17, 1931 - July 11, 2023

Eileen Blixrud passed away July 11, 2023 in Eden Prairie, Minnesota. Eileen was born in Fergus Falls, Minnesota on February 17, 1931 to Sherwin and Bertha (Ness) Ackerson. She had one sister, Elfrida (James) Strand. She was baptized by O.G. Osseng. She was confirmed at Erdahl Lutheran Church on November 4, 1945 by Norm Harstow. The family lived briefly in Eden Valley/Paynesville area until moving to the Ackerson family farm near Erdahl, MN. Eileen attended rural school in District 43, graduating from 8th grade in 1943, and graduated from Elbow Lake High School in 1947. She attended Concordia College in Moorhead until 1949 and went to work for Lutheran Brotherhood in Minneapolis until 1950.

With many family connections, Eileen and Alden Blixrud met and came together in marriage on May 20, 1951, while Alden was in the Army. Eileen and Alden followed Alden's career moves to Waubun, Barrett, Buffalo Lake, Huntley, Stewart, and finally St. Louis Park, Minnesota. The couple were blessed with three children, Julia (Keith Russell) Blixrud, Craig (Susan) Blixrud, Wendy (Ellworth) Beckmann, and five grand children, Amanda Fenske, Brandon (Lauren), Alexander (Morgan Elliott), Rachel (Michael Parrish), and Morgan Blixrud (Dan Bergquist), and two great grandchildren, Berit and Evelyn Blixrud.

Eileen was a stay at home mom and presided over many local organizations

and served on many committees. When the move to St. Louis Park came in 1978 Eileen began a 16 year career at Prudential Insurance. After retiring, Eileen and Alden traveled extensively. Their favorite trips were the multiple times to Norway. Eileen's greatest loves were the a-cappella choir, reading to the WECC children, and serving Westwood Lutheran church in many capacities.

Eileen was predeceased by her parents, sister, husband, her daughter, Julia, and son-in-law, Rick Fenske.

Visitation will be at 10:30 am, a service at 11:00 am with a lunch to follow on Thursday, July 20th at Westwood Lutheran Church in St. Louis Park, MN. Private family interment will take place at Ft. Snelling. Memorials to Eileen are preferred to the Westwood Lutheran Memorial Foundation, Westwood Lutheran Church, 9001 Cedar Lake Road, St. Louis Park, MN.

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Eden Prairie Chapel 952-975-0400

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 20. 10:30 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Westwood Lutheran Church
9001 Cedar Lake Road South
St. Louis Park, MN 55426

Memorial Service

JUL 20. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

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Reception

JUL 20. 12:00 PM - 1:30 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ Eileen loved the Westwood A Cappella Choir and was a faithful singer every week for many years. She volunteered in the Music Office, keeping the choral library in good order by filing and keeping the database up to date--an invaluable task. In addition, she helped me with all sorts of administrative tasks as they arose. I am grateful for her presence, her willingness to volunteer her skills where there was a need. ~Kris Langlois, (former Director of Music)

Kris Langlois - July 22, 2023 at 03:42 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Eileen R Blixrud.



July 18, 2023 at 06:59 PM



“ Pretty Please was purchased for the family of Eileen R Blixrud.



July 17, 2023 at 04:51 PM