



## Esther Marie Chi

March 21, 1938 - November 24, 2020

Chi, Esther Marie Cleveland 82, passed away peacefully on November 24. Predeceased by her parents, Emma and Martin, her brother Julian (Helen), her sisters Anna Ciplef (Robert also deceased) and Marian Oleson (Arland), and one stillborn daughter, Jennifer and a stillborn granddaughter, Sarah (Sam's twin). Her husband, Sun Hwan Chi MD, sadly predeceased her. She is survived by daughter, Catie Chi Olson (Mike), of Minneapolis, son, Walter, of Aspen, CO, and grandchildren Emma, Jacob (Amber), Samuel and Phoebe Chi Olson and Christopher (Taylor) and Hannah Chi. She is also survived by many beloved nieces, nephews and friends. A graduate of Patrick Henry High, Minneapolis, and Clarke College Dubuque, Esther served in leadership for various civic groups including the League of Women Voters and the Dubuque Human Rights as chair for 4 years, arts groups as President of the Dubuque Symphony Orchestra Auxiliary and in her faith at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church in Dubuque and Vista Lutheran Church in St. Louis Park. It was truly said of her that she could make a lifelong friend at a bus stop. She remained grateful to her sister-in-law, Haeyoung Kim, with whom she shared care of Sun Hwan in his conservatorship. Her friends and family were the joy of her life, especially nieces Erika Steen and Sharon McMichael. In her later years, she sadly let suspicions separate her from those that truly loved her. Her ashes will be interred with her beloved Sun Hwan in the presence of her immediate family. A celebration of her life will take place, post COVID-19. Feel free to contact either of her children to attend. (Catie's email: [catiechi@gmail.com](mailto:catiechi@gmail.com);

Walter prefers not to list). Please, no flowers. The family recommends memorials be made to the Family Enhancement Center, 4826 Chicago Ave S. #105, Minneapolis, MN 55417 for their work undoing the effects of childhood sexual abuse which so marked Esther's entire life or any other worthy organization.