



## Irene E Amundson

December 14, 2016

Amundson, Irene E. Age 99, of Edina. Preceded in death by husband, Earl; and brothers, Clem, Leo, Cletus and Raymond Brickner. Survived by brother, Burton Brickner; and many nieces and nephews. Funeral service Tuesday, Dec. 20, 11:00 AM, with visitation one hour prior to service at the Washburn-McReavy Edina Chapel. Interment St. Joseph Cemetery, Prescott, WI. Washburn-McReavy.com Edina Chapel 952-920-3996 West 50th St. & Hwy 100

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC **20**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Edina Chapel  
5000 West 50th & Highway 100  
Edina, MN 55436  
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# Tribute Wall

JC

“ This past Tuesday in Minneapolis (Edina) was a sad & sorrowful day for entire Brickner-Amundson family. Irene is one of the last members of The Greatest Generation. This dear, honorable lady served her country faithfully in various capacities. Beside being a member of VFW where she was an auxiliary chaplain, Irene was actively involved with American Legion & Masonic Lodges. Irene served her country with distinction, retiring from US Gov't after two decades + of federal civil service. She loved and advocated for veterans as well as our men & women in military uniform. While I was a shirt-tail relative in many respects, Irene treated me with a kind & caring attitude during my 3-year stint living & working in Twin Cities. She loved making broccoli casserole dishes for me. And it was great. I use to have Sunday dinner, brunch with Irene & Earl at least once monthly. Other times we'd visit a local restaurant and alternative picking up the tab. I use to enjoy taking Irene & her husband to mass on Sunday, their doctor appointments, grocery shopping and to their fraternal organizational meetings. They always invited me to their club picnics and we had a great time. To the Brickner & Amundson family, especially Burton, Donna, Jim & John, accept my sympathy & condolence on the 'passing' of this lovely woman. She had a big heart. Irene will be missed by all who knew & loved her. It's not by some random chance that Irene & Earl both lived life to the fullest for 99 glorious years. May God Bless Their Souls. Peace Be With You, Irene. I'll miss watching those Minnesota Twin baseball-Viking football games with you.  
Respectfully, John Cooper

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john cooper - December 21, 2016 at 08:43 PM

BW

“ Irene Brickner Amundson leaves behind an extremely positive legacy. She made a difference in the lives of all those with whom she had some interaction with. Irene was genuinely interested in everything I did, beginning the first day I arrived on this planet. She said many times that she was fortunate to have had "such a lovely family" because "my brothers and their wives give me lots of attention and love", and she had "lots of nieces and nephews".

*I have known since 1955 thereabouts, around age 8-10, that my Life was going to be much better than most other kids due to the fact My Aunt was way above the average lady relative in terms of remembering Christmas and birthdays, saying encouraging words, setting examples as a role model to help me handle Life situations, etc.*

*As VFW Auxiliary Chaplain for nearly 10 years, Irene would write in the monthly newsletter about the importance of expressing appreciation for everyday acts of kindness and encouraging support for persons struggling with daily existence Veterans living on VA hospitals, nursing homes) . Irene's good natured, caring approach towards living Life, leaves a positive impression no one could erase. Irene actually dedicated her Life towards being a good Catholic taking time to help others.*

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**Barb Weber White** - December 20, 2016 at 02:19 PM

BW

“ Beverly and Barbara (White) Weber purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Irene E Amundson.



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**Beverly and Barbara (White) Weber** - December 17, 2016 at 12:04 AM

BW

“ Aunt Irene visited me in Washington, DC years ago, and though I was 30 years younger than she was, I couldn't keep up with her! She had to see everything and we had such a good time. She was curious and interested and I loved her very much... I also hosted her and Earl in San Francisco when they came to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the Golden Gate Bridge. I bought them a brick on the commemorative walkway... I always sent a box of aplets and cotlets from Washington State to her for Christmas, as she loved them so. The box is sitting on my kitchen counter now, wrapped and ready to mail, but this time she won't be there to get it... I will miss her and the letters I have been sending, even though she hasn't been able to respond lately. In the past, whenever I wrote to her, she would respond so quickly that I was always in arrears! I am Irene's niece on Earl's side, as well as her God-daughter. Beverly Weber

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**Beverly Weber** - December 15, 2016 at 03:10 PM

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“ If Irene volunteered at the VA Medical Center in Human Resources... if the right Irene Amundsen... she was well-loved. Thank you, Irene!

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**Kathy Stattine** - December 15, 2016 at 02:40 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Irene E Amundson.



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December 15, 2016 at 01:04 PM