



## Jacqueline Barbara Hegman

May 7, 1942 - August 20, 2020

Hegman, Jacqueline Barbara (nee Cramer) of Edina passed away on August 20 following an incredibly brave, ten- year battle against ovarian cancer. Initially given quite a bleak prognosis, Jackie fought so bravely to the end, continuing to awe her doctors and her family with her will to fight. Her amazing and unique spirit will be greatly missed by her loving family, and to all that were blessed to be her friend. Jackie is survived by her husband, Mark; daughter, Jenny Higgins (Mike), and grandsons Charlie, Cameron and Teddy Higgins. Jackie is also survived by sister Judy Buffo, stepmother Ruth Cramer, brother-in-law Owen Berow, sister- in-law Elizabeth Lewis (Tom Olson), as well as other family and friends near and far. She is preceded in death by parents Sterling and Lucille Cramer, and sister Leandra Berow. Jackie was born May 7, 1942 in Cincinnati, Ohio. She graduated from Maine Township High School in Park Ridge, Illinois in 1960. Jackie went on to graduate from Purdue University with a degree in Education. After college, Jackie returned to Chicago. While working as a young professional and living in the Old Town neighborhood, she met a charming young man who lived in the neighboring apartment building. Jackie and Mark were married for 53 years, almost to the day. Jackie was so many things: witty, patient, quirky, loving, funny, and intelligent (she was typically the smartest person in the room, whether anyone knew it or not). Most of all, she was kind and accepting. Jackie was a voracious reader, loved to win at bridge, and was active in her Pi Beta Phi alumnae groups, book and investment clubs. Also to note, she was a very

respectable swimmer and tennis player in her day. She and Mark loved to travel, and they made many memories doing so together and with friends. She cherished family time spent at the cabin in Outing, Minnesota; as well as time spent at their home in Naples, Florida. She loved reuniting with her twelve close friends from high school on their frequent "girls trips," and greatly treasured those longstanding and loyal friendships. Her family meant the world to her, and she loved making each of her grandsons feel special and loved. Throughout her long illness, she always put on a happy and positive face. A special thank you to Dr. Cathleen Chen, and to all of the amazing nurses and staff at Frauenshuh Cancer Center. In lieu of flowers, consider a memorial donation to the Minnesota Ovarian Cancer Alliance, (MOCA); 4604 Chicago Ave., Minneapolis, MN 55407, [mnovarian.org](http://mnovarian.org). A private family burial will be held on Friday at Lakewood Cemetery, Minneapolis. A gathering celebrating Jackie's life will be held at a future date. [Washburn-McReavy.com](http://Washburn-McReavy.com)  
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