



Janet '(Jan)' Frye

December 29, 2016

Frye, Janet "Jan" (Root) Age 75, of Bloomington, passed away Dec. 29, 2016 at Regions Hospital, St. Paul. Born Nov. 26, 1941 in St. Paul, MN to Lawrence and Clara (Hegman) Root. Graduated from Johnson HS and Macalester College in St. Paul, MN with Library Science education at U of MN. She worked as a librarian at Dorsey law firm in Minneapolis, Catalog Card Corp. in Burnsville, National Information Systems in Edina, and as a reference librarian at Dakota County Library in W. St. Paul until she retired. She met Kermit Frye while at Macalester, and they were married on August 31, 1963 at First Lutheran Church in St. Paul. They lived in Minneapolis and Bloomington prior to moving to Ilion, NY in 1971. They returned to Bloomington in 1976. Jan enjoyed genealogy and family history. She was active at Telelag of America including time as its president. She also was active at the Swedish Genealogical Society of Minnesota writing a column for many years in its publication, Tidningen, about Swedish authors and books. She was involved in Bible study and helped publish Braille bibles at her church. She also did ceramics as a hobby and enjoyed playing bridge. She and her husband were active in square dancing for many years. They traveled through much of the US, Canada, Europe, and the Holy Land. Jan was pleasant, loving, caring, and helpful to many. Jan is survived by her husband Kermit Frye of Bloomington, MN; son James (Susan) Frye and their children Megan, Alexander and Justin of Hudson, WI; and son Steven (Leah) Frye and their children Benjamin, Anastasia, Indigo, and Rowan (McGrath) of Bloomington,

MN. Also survived by sister Judie (Donald) Strom of Cottage Grove, MN and many nieces, nephews and cousins. Jan was preceded in death by her parents and daughter Sharon Frye. Visitation 4:00-7:00 PM Monday, January 2 at Washburn-McReavy Funeral Chapel, 2300 W. Old Shakopee Road, Bloomington, MN. Funeral service 11:00 AM Tuesday, January 3, 2017, at St. Michael's Lutheran Church, 9201 Normandale Blvd., Bloomington, MN, with visitation at the church for one hour before the service. Lunch after the service, with burial following at Union Cemetery, Maplewood, MN. Donations preferred to Swedish Genealogical Society of Minnesota, South St. Paul, MN; St. Michael's Lutheran Church, Bloomington, MN; National Parkinson's Foundation; or American Parkinson's Disease Association. Washburn-McReavy.com Werness Brothers 952-884-8145

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“ Janet was my cousin. In the beginning there were ten cousins, Judie and Janet, JoAnn and Beth, Mark and me, and Gregg, Steven, David and Debbie. I recall many holidays and birthdays together with our parents. Thanksgiving at Clara and Lawrence's, Christmas at Clyde and Elsie's and Easter at Harold and Dorothy's. All of us were there at all these occasions and I cherish the fun times and great food we enjoyed together. All of our mother's were amazing cooks! In later years, Kermit and Jan and Tom and I had a number of most pleasant dinners together. Tom would often run into Jan at the Minnesota Historical Society where Jan was doing genealogy research. Kermit, James, Steven and your families, please accept our prayers for Jan and for your families during this hard time. Love, Liz and Tom.

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