



## Janice Rising Minnich

August 16, 1935 - April 3, 2023

Minnich (Rising), Janice, age 87 of New Brighton, passed away April 3, 2023, at North Memorial Hospital.

Janice was born in 1935 and raised in Redwood County, MN, the daughter of Magnus and Viola Raduenz. Growing up she played the piano, participated in 4-H, mixed chorus, glee club, student council, and was class Salutatorian of 1953. Graduated as a Registered Nurse from Lutheran Deaconess Hospital School of Nursing in south Minneapolis in September 1956. She joined the United States Navy Nurse Corp and was stationed at the US Naval Hospital in Oakland, CA, where she served as a naval nurse until Dec 1959. There she met Jon Rising and brought him one of her home cheese cake tortes before his next naval deployment and subsequently they married in March of 1960, and were blessed with one child, Beth.

The Risings lived in SE Minneapolis, MN for 29 years enjoying neighborhood back yard picnics and close family friends events. Jan ~a Camp Fire Girl leader, league bowler, volunteer at the LDH lunch counter, and traveler to Hawaii.

Jan took great pride in her 31 years of her nursing career at the U of MN Boynton Health Service where she worked until Dec 1991. She also was the

nurse at the 4-H building during the MN State Fair for the 4-H participants (HER Favorite time of year).

Jan and Jon celebrated their 30th Anniversary and only days later, Jon was killed in a tragic car accident. Jan decided to retire from Boynton Health Service, and travel Europe with family members.

She also traveled to southern Texas to see her mother, ended up buying a home in Pharr, and then met Lawrence Weaver. Lawrence had a RV, and traveling the country became a reality for them. They were married June 1994 and decided to make Kerrville, TX their new home base. They were welcomed by new friends/family, adopted a puppy, and lived there until Lawrence's death in 2013.

Janice and K9 companion Chiquita then returned to Minnesota and tried senior independent apartment living and Meadowood Shores from a life time friend Shirley. There Janice discovered bridge players (that soon became friends), weekly bingo, group outings, and became a season ticket holder at the Guthrie.

During her homecoming she met Jonathan Minnich. They enjoyed life together attending the Guthrie, family softball events, going out to dinner, and married in October of 2015. For Janice, the marriage came with step children and spouses, step grandchildren, and a step great-grandchild. Jonathon passed away in January 2016.

She is survived by her daughter, Beth Rising; her siblings, Roger Raduenz and William/Cheryl Raduenz. Step daughter, Alison/Craig Hennen, step son Jeff Reider/Brad Ackerman, three step grandchildren, Alix, Lucy, Irene Hennen/Sam Harper; and one step-great grandchild Aliyah Reyes; and many friends.

A celebration of Life will be held on June 15, 2023, 10:30 AM at FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH (1555 40th Ave NE, Columbia Heights). Visitation one hour prior and a luncheon will follow the service. Honors ceremony at Fort Snelling National Cemetery.

Janice prefers a donation to the charity of your choice in lieu of flowers or plants.

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Hillside Chapel 612-781-1999

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUN 15. 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM (CT)

First Lutheran Church of Columbia Heights  
1555 40th Avenue NE  
Columbia Heights, MN 55421

## Memorial Service

JUN 15. 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM (CT)

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1555 40th Avenue NE  
Columbia Heights, MN 55421

## Graveside Service

JUN 15. 1:30 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Fort Snelling National Cemetery  
7601 34th Avenue South  
Minneapolis, MN 55450

# Tribute Wall



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Janice Rising Minnich.

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