



## Jean Margaret Frank

January 14, 1924 - December 23, 2015

Jean was born in St. Paul, MN, the only child of Olive F. (Good) and Davis H. Elliott. Davis was a school teacher for many years in the St. Paul Public Schools, teaching English at Washington High School until his retirement in the late 1950's. Both Olive and Davis graduated from Hamline University, and were life-long members of Hamline Methodist church. They made their home in the Hamline community, where Jean grew up. Jean in turn graduated from Hamline with a degree in Business Education, and she too taught in the St. Paul Public Schools for several years.

Jean was introduced to Burton E. Frank by her best friend Ruth Frank, who was Burt's sister, on a blind date. He had recently been discharged from the Navy after service in the Second World War, and had started work as a chemical engineer at 3M in St. Paul. They were married in Hamline Church on April 24, 1948. Jean often laughed that theirs was an "arranged marriage". They made their home in St. Paul, and later in Shoreview. Jean and Burt raised three boys: David, William and Robert.

Jean and Burt and the three boys all sang in the Hamline Church choirs for many years. Burt was active in the groups that selected and installed the Cassavant pipe organs in the 1970s.

Jean was church secretary at Hamline Church from the mid-1960s to the mid-1970s. She also edited the church news bulletin, "The Live Wire". Later, she worked as an Executive Secretary in the Legal Department at 3M.

Jean and Burt both retired from 3M in the early 1980s, and divided their time

between Minnesota and Arizona. They frequently travelled to attend gatherings and concerts of the American Theater Organ Society (ATOS) all across the country. Every summer, they spent a week with the extended family in the Alexandria, MN area, a tradition that started with Burt's parents and continues to this day.

Burt passed away in 2005 at the age of 85, one day after their 47th anniversary.

Jean continued the tradition of their seasonal commute between Minnesota and Arizona, often accompanied by her son Bob and his wife Karen, until this year when logistics caused her to delay her planned departure. She remained happy and healthy right up to the time of her death on Wednesday, December 23, 2015 of a heart attack.

Jean is survived by her three sons David E. (Elizabeth Miller), William E. and Robert J. (Karen) Frank; Grandchildren Erich R. (Crystal ne? Paulsen) Frank, Molly (Kevin) McCann, Michael M. (Lori) Frank, and Kalie J. (Andrew) Cliff; great grandchildren Alexander and Zachary Frank, Colin and Ethan McCann, and Ethan, Emma and Ella Frank.

A memorial service will be held on Wednesday, January 6, 2016 at 11:00am at Hamline United Methodist Church, 1514 Englewood Avenue, St. Paul, MN. Following the service a reception will be held at the church. Private interment Roselawn Cemetery.

Memorials to Hamline Church United Methodist Building Fund.