



Jean Colleen Heidenreich

June 1, 1932 - October 30, 2020

Heidenreich (Olin), Jean Colleen age 88, of Minneapolis, MN, died peacefully on October 30, 2020 from liver cancer. Born June 1, 1932 to Verma (Walters) Olin and John Olin of Lake City, MN. Jean was preceded in death by her parents and a brother, Lyle. Jean is survived by her sister Joyce (Olin) Wiebusch, brother-in-law Gene, children Lisa, Beth and Jack Heidenreich, special friend Tom Gifford, five granddaughters, three great-granddaughters, and two great-grandsons. Jean was a graduate of Lincoln High School, Lake City, MN and Macalester College, St. Paul. She was social worker with Hennepin County Social Services for several years. She followed that career with her passion for art. Jean was an accomplished calligrapher with two greeting card lines, commissioned works, and teaching calligraphy at North Hennepin Community College. She loved creating watercolor paintings, acrylic paintings, alcohol ink paintings, and polymer clay items. Jean was active in the Colleagues of Calligraphy, Polymer Clay Guild of MN, and Southwest Social Scribes. She was a life member of AAUW. Jean was a 50+ year member at Hennepin Avenue United Methodist Church where she was active for many years on the Fine Arts Committee. Jean's social hobby was ballroom dancing with her friend, Tom. They were active in several dance clubs and have many trophies to attest to their love of dancing. Visitation will be at Washburn- McReavy Edina Chapel on Thursday, November 12th from 4-7pm. A small PRIVATE family funeral will be held at 11am Friday, November 13th. If you would like to Virtually View the funeral service you can do so at

[washburn-mcreavy.com/obituaries/...](http://washburn-mcreavy.com/obituaries/) or haumc.org/live/ Private interment at Lakewood Cemetery in Lake City, MN. Memorials preferred to the Fine Arts Fund at Hennepin Ave United Methodist Church, AAUW Minneapolis Branch, or to the donor's charity of choice. Washburn-McReavy.com West 50th St. & Hwy 100 Edina Chapel 952-920-3996

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV **12**. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Edina Chapel
5000 West 50th & Highway 100
Edina, MN 55436
(952) 920-3996
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Tribute Wall



“ Washburn-McReavy Funeral Chapels created a Funeral Service of Jean C. Heidenreich in memory of Jean Colleen Heidenreich



Washburn-McReavy - November 09, 2020 at 12:44 PM



Jean was such a wonderful person! I will miss her humor, wit, kindness, her beautiful flowers and gatherings with "Reggie Survivors" on the patio outside!

Janah Breidenbach - November 13, 2020 at 01:01 PM



A beautiful service just to Jean's wishes. for a beautiful person and family. A fine friend who will be missed. Love to the family.. Jane

Jane Westerlund - November 13, 2020 at 01:05 PM

LP

“ Jean was a unique, talented, humorous, compassionate, beautiful person. I met her at AAUW, 14 years ago. One day I apologized for having missed the guided tour of her fabulous calligraphy at Hennepin Methodist Church. She said, "No problem Lois, I'll give you a private tour next Sunday." it was delightful to hear the stories behind her incredible work.

i will remember Jean each time I put on the special AAUW nametag she created for me.

Lois Petersen

Lois Petersen - November 13, 2020 at 01:03 PM

CT

“ Our sincere sympathy to you her loving family, Tom, Joyce, Gene and her devoted children, grandchildren and great grandchildren and her extended family and friends. She was a pure example of grace and beauty and love for all who knew her. She will be missed and forever held dear to the hearts of those of us fortunate enough to know her. When she shared her illness with “the cousins” I was inspired by her message and the dignity with which she was meeting this challenge. She found joy even in preparing to leave us and meet her Savior, that is faith! Though her loss is painful to us, it's a blessing she did not suffer long. We will miss her. Love and blessings to all of you.

Cheryl and Jim Tibesar

Cheryl Tibesar - November 13, 2020 at 12:53 PM

JR

“ I was blessed with having Jean as a member of our HAUMC Bible Study class. Just as Tom described in the service, she was an avid learner, always came to class as a ray of sunshine, and example of a saint! We will miss her and her special Bible with it's wonderful commentaries that were so helpful to our studies. Juanita Reed-Boniface

Juanita Reed-Boniface - November 13, 2020 at 12:44 PM

JF

“ Jean did such a good job of living! In so doing, she was always a gift to others with her kindness, spiritual faith, and humor. Her love of art brought many like-minded people together in lasting friendship. Her calligrapher friends, will long-remember time spent with Jean at her home, engaged in stimulating conversation, and surrounded by her beautiful art. Gratitude from Jean Formo

Jean Formo - November 11, 2020 at 07:29 PM

MC

“ Jean was and is an inspiration for me. I am blessed to have shared creative polymer clay adventures with her as well as story times both formal and informal. One of the things that I love about her is that she was so full of surprises. And humor. And wisdom. Thank you, Jean. Thank you.

Maureen Carlson - November 11, 2020 at 12:04 PM

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“ *The Warren E. Burger Library Staff purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Jean Colleen Heidenreich.*



The Warren E. Burger Library Staff - November 09, 2020 at
11:15 AM