



Joyce Nicholson

January 4, 2009

Nicholson, Joyce A. of Chaska, passed away on December 31, 2008 at the age of 82. She was predeceased in 1986 by her husband, the Reverend Kenneth M. Nicholson, Jr.; also by her parents, Raymond H. and Lois M. Jordan. She graduated in 1944 from Minneapolis Washburn High School, attended North Central College in Naperville, IL for two years and graduated from the Swedish Hospital School of Nursing in Minneapolis as a registered nurse in 1949. She and Kenneth were united in marriage at Oakland Avenue United Methodist Church on November 24, 1950. They had five sons who survive, Kenneth III and wife Lynnae of Highlands Ranch, CO, Timothy and wife Charlene of Blue Earth, MN, David of Carrollton, TX, Raymond and wife Teresa of Excelsior, MN and Lee and wife Suzanne of Canton, OH; nine grandchildren survive, Stacie Francis and husband Scott, and Shawn, Nathan, Kenneth IV, Daniel, Robert, Thomas, Connor and Alexandra Nicholson; 3 great-grandchildren, Maygan Core, Zachary and Cole Francis. She is also survived by her sister, Lois A. Hanson of Eden Prairie, MN in addition to two nieces and two nephews. Joyce and Ken, a United Methodist pastor, served in churches in Iowa and Illinois before returning to Minnesota where they were appointed to parishes in five different communities. She most often worked evening hours in nursing homes as she preferred elderly patients and those hours worked most satisfactory. After retiring from nursing she was employed as a calligrapher for six years. In lieu of flowers, memorials preferred to the Parkinson Research Foundation at PO Box 96318, Washington, DC 20090-6318 (703-821-1975). Interment Crystal Lake Cemetery. Funeral service Monday, 1/5 at 11 AM with visitation 1 hour before at Pilgrim United Methodist Church, 4325 Zachary Ln. N., Plymouth. Visitation Sunday, 3-5 PM at: Washburn-McReavy Eden Prairie Chapel 952-975-0400 7625 Mitchell Road (1 blk N. of Hwy 5)