



## Joyce L. Turner

April 20, 1929 - July 10, 2022

Joyce Turner

4/20/1929-7/10/2022

In her final days Joyce Lorraine Carlson Turner reassured her family, "Everything is going to be okay." She had words of love for her husband, Lowell Turner, her four daughters, six grandchildren, and four sons (in law). She lived every day with care, love, and compassion.

Joyce was a farm girl at heart. She was born April 20, 1929, in Rush Point, MN. Her mother and father, Ruth and Walter Carlson, farmed in the area. At an early age Joyce was eager to assist her dad in milking cows, driving horses and later tractors. Joyce would often say that growing up on a farm was the best childhood she could imagine.

She attended the same two-room country school as her father before graduating from Braham High School. Following high school her career took her to Minneapolis where she worked at General Mills, Provident Mutual Life Insurance and Diversity Chemical. She spent summers helping her parents farm.

Joyce met her future husband Lowell at a dance at Pine Camp Ballroom near

Pine City and two years later they married. They continued as life and dance partners for 67 loving years. Most Saturday nights were spent at Medina Ballroom dancing until the last song ended. They lived in Plymouth almost their entire married lives until moving to Summit Place in Eden Prairie in late 2017.

Lowell and their four daughters were the center of Joyce's life. She was everything you would associate with a mom and grandma-loving, caring and interested in whatever her family was doing. Even in her final days she was checking to make sure that everyone had enough to eat and was getting enough sleep-pets too. A true mom.

Hearing Joyce play the piano was one of life's joys. She learned to play by ear and became so accomplished that she once finished second in a state high school piano competition. Calvary Lutheran Church in Rush Point selected Joyce to be the organist. Later she played piano and taught Sunday School and Vacation Bible School at Calvary Lutheran Church in Golden Valley where Joyce and Lowell were members for 60 years.

Every day at 4 p.m. Joyce played piano at Summit Place. She prepared a daily play list that reflected a holiday, season of the year, plus some of her favorite songs. Summit Place residents say it's not the same without Joyce's daily piano playing.

In high school Joyce also started writing poems and continued composing them throughout her life. Many times, she wrote them as "histories" about a friend or family member. If you were fortunate enough to be the subject of one of her poems, it was a lifelong treasure.

She was also a woman of faith which gave her strength daily and to the end.

Joyce leaves behind a legacy of family. In addition to Lowell, there are four daughters and their spouses, Jan Eide (Jerry), Diane Schultz (Scott), Darlene Otten (Elmer), Dawn Kelly (Chuck), 6 amazing grandchildren and their spouses, and 12 great grandchildren. Per Joyce's request they will be named!  
Grandchildren: Jill (Schultz) Hartl (Jason), Jenna (Schultz) Papes (Rob), Josh Leuer (Christy), Jon Leuer (Kellie), Joe Leuer (Tiya), Kenny Leuer (Brianna).  
Great grandchildren: Keller Hartl, Brannon Hartl, Logan

Leuer, Levi Leuer, Lofton Leuer, Tayden Leuer, Ayla Leuer, Mila Papes, Jeremiah Leuer, Leon Leuer, Kinsley Leuer, Kaenen Leuer.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that donations be made to Calvary Lutheran Church, Golden Valley, in Joyce's name. Donations will be designated for children's ministry.

Memorial service will be Wednesday, July 27, 2022, 11 a.m. at Calvary Lutheran Church, 7520 Golden Valley Road, Golden Valley, in the chapel. Family visitation is at 10 a.m. A luncheon at the church will follow the service.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUL 27. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Calvary Lutheran Church of Golden Valley  
7520 Golden Valley Road  
Golden Valley, MN 55427

## Memorial Service

JUL 27. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Large Basket Garden was purchased for the family of Joyce L. Turner.* ”



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