



Lois Lorraine Parker

July 12, 1922 - February 21, 2022

Parker, Lois K. A Special Mother. Age 99, Born July 12, 1922, passed to our Lord, Feb. 21, 2022. Valedictorian, Minneapolis Central High School, June 1940. Administrative Assistant, Trust Group, 1st National Bank of Minneapolis (USbank) 1940-1985. Volunteer, information desk, Methodist Hospital, 1992-2020. Married to N. Bruce Parker, Minneapolis, Oct. 7, 1950; together until Bruce's passing Oct. 1992; now Together Forever. Often the smartest, and kindest, person in the room, Lois' intellect, curiosity, and caring for others defined her. She always expressed hope for those in her life to be their best and to attain happiness and purpose. Service to and love for family and friends, devotion and appreciation to her Special Mother, Louise Kurtz, who defied the difficulties and cruelties of the Great Depression as a single mother, and partnership and love with husband, Bruce Parker, were a foundation of strength and support for so many throughout her long life. A longevity she attributed in part to "oatmeal in the morning, and a martini or gin and tonic in the afternoon". Lois retired in 1985 to care for at home, along with Bruce, Mother Louise, who suffered from Alzheimer's Disease and who passed in 1992. She sadly also lost Bruce later that same year. Through all, she was joyful for times with friends and family and shared smiles and laughter always. Preceded in death by mother Louise Kurtz, husband N. Bruce Parker, sister and brother-in law Patricia and Marvin Hiskey, daughter-in-law Joni Lynn Parker. Survived by sons Brett (Terry) Parker, Scott Parker, and daughter Joan Parker, grandson Brandon Parker, step-grandchildren Patrick Keary,

Pamela Keary, step-great grandchildren Eva Marie, Ana Rose, and Chancellor; many nieces and nephews, love and thanks to special niece Marsha Hiskey. Thanks and Love for special friends, and daughters, Susan Anderson, and Joan Harmonick. Memorial Service Friday, February 25, 10:00 am, at Lakewood Cemetery Chapel, Minneapolis. Interment following at 11:00 am. Memorials, in lieu of flowers, please, to: Salvation Army, Children's Camping Program, or, Swanson Fund at Lake Harriet United Methodist Church, Minneapolis.

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB **25**. 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM (CT)

Lakewood Cemetery (Minneapolis)
3600 Hennepin Avenue South
Minneapolis, MN 55408

Church Service

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