



## Lorna Mae McDonald

September 6, 1925 - November 14, 2024

Lorna Mae (Oppelt) McDonald, born September 6, 1925 in Aitkin, MN to Clifford and Alma Oppelt. She passed away on November 14, 2024. One of ten children, she attended a one room school at Cedar Lake Elementary School. Lorna graduated from Aitkin High School in June 1943. Her father died the week of her graduation, so Lorna went to work at the Lampert Lumber Company as a bookkeeper. She was also a salesperson, weighed trucks, sold paint, puttied windows, and even shoveled coal, an all around clerk. She met Robert McDonald in February 1946 when he returned from service in the Army Air Corp and they married February 9, 1947. They moved to Minneapolis St. Paul in 1948. Lorna continued working at Lampert Lumber Company's main office in St. Paul until 1950 when Gregory was born. Kevin was born in 1953, and the family moved to Desnoyer Park in 1954, Julie was born in 1959. Lorna is preceded in death by her husband, Robert; granddaughter, Kristin (McDonald) Ekey; parents, Clifford and Alma; 6 sisters, 3 brothers. She is survived by her sons, Gregory (Janis), Kevin (Lyn); daughter, Julie (David) Chelberg; 10 grandchildren; and 23 great-grandchildren. Memorials preferred to the Waverly Gardens Chaplain Fund. Funeral service to be held Thursday, December 5, at 2pm with visitation one hour prior at the Washburn-McReavy Hillside Chapel.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC 5. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Hillside Chapel  
2610 19th Avenue N.E.  
Minneapolis, MN 55418

## Chapel Service

DEC 5. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (CT)

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