



## Lois Lorraine Neuger

February 3, 1926 - October 31, 2018

Lois Lorraine Wallen Neuger (Lorraine), age 92, died peacefully surrounded by family on Wednesday morning, October 31, at N.C. Little Hospice in Edina. A gracious and kind woman, she lived an extraordinary life as a loving mother, grandmother and great grandmother as well as an energetic volunteer, generous donor and devout child of God.

Neuger was born February 3, 1926, in Minneapolis, attended Washburn High School in Minneapolis and the University of Minnesota. She married Edwin Neuger on June 19, 1948 remaining together for 50 years until his death in 1998. Together, they raised five children who, along with their spouses, 11 grandchildren and 10 great grandchildren, always received unwavering love and support.

She is survived by her children, Win (Christie) Neuger of Minneapolis, Stephen Neuger of Edina, Barbara (Dean) Moore of Richfield, Debra Neuger (Bill McCabe) of Edina, and David (Ruth) Neuger of Northfield; her sister Sandra (John) Sly of Boca Raton, Fla.; her brother-in-law Victor Olson, Jr.; numerous nieces and nephews, grandchildren and great grandchildren. She is preceded in death by her husband; parents Alice and Stanley Wallen; sisters, Joan Olson and Jacqueline Jorgensen; brothers-in-law James Jorgensen and Charles Neuger; and later-in-life sweetheart James VanValkenburg.

Lorraine Neuger will forever be remembered as a wonderful mom and mentor, an avid fan of her kids, grandkids and great grandkids in sports, dance, music and outdoors activities, and the best baker of chocolate chip cookies ever. She is the inventor of momisms such as “how can I hear you if I can’t find my glasses,” or “it’s six of one a dozen of the other,” or “brunch can be served as late as 12:00 or even as late as noon.” She was quick to smile, slow to anger and sharp as a tack to the end of her life on this earth. She had a special knack for making each of her children feel as though they were her favorite and the same was true for countless other family members and friends.

While her top vocation was an at-home mom when her children were young, Neuger also had a distinguished business career serving as the publisher of Bride and Homemaker magazine in the 1940s and as controller of Edwin Neuger & Associates in the 1980s and 1990s. She prided herself on staying current with technology including filing her own tax returns with TurboTax, staying connected with loved ones through Facebook and Instagram, and playing “Words with Friends” online with a multitude of people.

A memorial service will be held in her honor on Monday, November 19, 2018, at 11:30 a.m. at Mount Olivet Lutheran Church, 50th & Knox Ave., Minneapolis, with visitation one hour before the service. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be directed toward Mount Olivet Retreat Center, N.C. Little Hospice or Camp Fire Minnesota.