



## Lorraine Dorothy Niemela

February 17, 1929 - August 20, 2021

Lorraine Dorothy

Age 92 formerly of Menahga, MN. Passed away on Friday, August 20, 2021 at The Legacy of St. Anthony in St. Anthony Village, MN.

Lorraine was born February 17, 1929 in Menahga, MN the tenth child of Andrew and Selma (Ohlgren) Niemela. Preceded in death by parents, Andrew and Selma (nee Ohlgren) Niemela; siblings, Stella Ollila in 2008, Senia Niemela in 2002, Sylvia Johnson in 1988, Ida Bimberg in 1967, Agnes Bimberg in 2006, Rose Taylor in 2019, Victor Niemela in 1991, Mabel Ronan in 2012, Elsie Henry in 2008 and Eleanor Beachy in 2015.

Survived by her many nieces and nephews and their families.

Graduate of Menahga High School in 1946. Lorraine joined the Menonite Church in her youth. She began working for the Northern Light Gospel Mission based in Red Lake, Ontario Canada in the 1950's. Lorraine returned to Menahga after her father's death in 1963. Lorraine and her sister, Rose moved to Downey, CA where another sister, Eleanor and family lived. They both entered nurses training at Long Beach City College, both earning their LPN certificates in 1967. Lorraine began her nursing career at St. Paul Ramsey Hospital (Regions Hospital) in 1967. Lorraine retired on December 31, 1991 at age 62.

Memorial Service 4:00 PM on Friday, Sept. 10th at Gloria Dei Lutheran Church, 3014 NE McKinley St., Minneapolis. Private family interment Saturday, September 11th at 11:00 AM at Menahga City Cemetery, Menahga,

MN. Lorraine identified with and was proud of her Finnish heritage.

# Tribute Wall

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“ I worked with Lorraine at St. Paul Ramsey in the late 1970s. She is one of the few that left a lasting impression for me as a young nurse. She was a kind, quiet, very dependable nurse. Her patients were blessed to be cared for by Lorraine.

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**Barb Prihoda** - August 29, 2021 at 12:00 AM