



Lorraine B. Pratt

June 10, 1927 - October 29, 2022

Lorraine Bjorklund Pratt was born to Arthur and Esther Bjorklund on June 10, 1927 in Minneapolis MN. She attended Pillsbury Elementary School where she met the love of her life, Wallace Pratt. She attended Edison High School in Minneapolis and graduated from Minnehaha Academy in 1945.

Lorraine worked as a Parish Worker from 1946-1948 at Salem Covenant Church on Central Ave. Minneapolis. She reached out to people in the communities surrounding Salem to extend support, care and love in servanthood to the life and ministry of Salem.

Lorraine and Wally were married on March 19, 1948 at Salem Covenant Church. They welcomed five children into their family: Len, Lowell, Joyce, Sharon and Warren.

She served in ministry alongside Wally as a beloved pastor's wife at the Red Wing Covenant Church in Red Wing, MN, Mount Miguel Covenant Church in Spring Valley CA, and Dassel Covenant Church in Dassel MN. Lorraine had a caring yet purposeful way of reaching out to others; those who needed a friend, a shoulder to lean on, or a place to be heard and supported. She was attentive to meeting the needs of the church by stepping in to teach Sunday school, playing piano, organizing bible school, and singing in the choir.

Lorraine was instrumental in organizing the Young Women's Bible Study program in Dassel, which included childcare to help out the young mothers of the church. She spearheaded a new after school youth program, AWANA, to provide a place for kids to go after school. The door to Lorraine and Wally's

parsonage home was open to all. Her gracious hospitality radiated in the community. She was known for her servant heart and unwavering care for others.

She was drawn to help and support others in her roles outside the home. Lorraine worked for Pratt Homes as a bookkeeper, assisting her sons with their new business venture. Her calm and caring presence in the office continued for 31 years. Lorraine also completed the necessary education to be a Certified Nursing Assistant to serve others at the Lakeside Care Center in Dassel.

Lorraine often helped care for her grandchildren and enjoyed attending sporting and theater events, concerts, and milestone celebrations. Her encouraging smile and gentle nature created a comforting respite for anyone in her presence.

Lorraine and Wally transitioned from their retirement home on Big Marine Lake to the St. Andrews Retirement Community in Mahtomedi, MN in 2015. Lorraine's servant heart, gentle and gracious spirit continued to shine as she extended thanks and appreciation to those who came to care and help her, just as she had done for others her entire life.

Her legacy of simple gifts - compassion, care, love and acceptance - will live on in those who knew and loved her. Lorraine is survived by her children Len (Ellen), Lowell (Wendy), Joyce (Tom) Carlson, Sharon (Dan) Lee and Warren (Lisa). Grandchildren Ben (Erin), Nate (Megan), Katie, Art (Susan), Emily (Maarten) Potjer, Linnea (Drew) Hendrickson, Sam (Allison), Esther (Aaron) Jordan, Luke (Angela) Carlson, Kaisa (Marlon) Wandrick, Karl (Kassie) Lee, Hanna Lee and Melissa (Eric) Beltz. Great-grandchildren Savannah and Wyatt Pratt, Makena and Kristina Pratt, Eva, Charles, Caroline Potjer, Max and Eli Hendrickson, Nolan and Margaret Pratt, Sam and Anna Jordan, Jack and Waylon Carlson, Makai Wandrick, Theodore and Benjamin Lee.

Lorraine is preceded in death by her husband Wally, granddaughter Annamarie Carlson, brothers Norman, Melvin, Orville, Glen, Allen Bjorklund, and sisters Evelyn Borgstrom and Marion Anderson.

Memorials are preferred to either Salem Covenant Church or St. Andrew's Retirement Community.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

NOV 7. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Salem Covenant Church
2655 5th Street Northwest
New Brighton, MN 55112

Tribute Wall



“ *Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant was purchased for the family of Lorraine B. Pratt.* ”



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