



## Margaret Maxine Shandor

July 22, 1925 - December 11, 2023

On December 11, 2023, Margaret Maxine Shandor passed into the arms of our Savior, Jesus Christ at the age of 98. Her faith in Jesus carried her through a life of joy and sorrow, while reminding us all that "in whatever state I am to be content" (Philippians 4:11). She was a perfect example of what it is to make Jesus the center of our lives.

Maxine was born on July 22, 1925 in Jefferson, Iowa, and later moved with her mother and two older sisters to Batavia, Illinois where she met Wilbert (Sonny) Alison Shandor. Eight days after the bombing of Pearl Harbor they married and he enlisted in the Army Air Corp. A year later, Joyce, their only child, was born while "Sonny" was serving as a gunner on bombing missions in Europe. Maxine raised Joyce with her sister, Thelma, until the war ended. When Sonny returned home, he and his cousin opened an auto body shop until 1953, when he moved his family to Whittier, California, where he became Manager of a Buick agency. In 1955, they moved again, this time to Santa Barbara, California where Maxine worked in sales at Ott's Department Store and Sonny as manager of an Oldsmobile-Cadillac agency. In 1960, Sonny opened his own automobile sales business, Shandor Motors, that he operated until his untimely death in 1972. Without a doubt, his death and the following years were the most difficult time in her life. In 1978, Maxine moved to be with her daughter's family in Minnesota, where she became a bookkeeper for Joyce's husband, Bill. When he retired from operating his network of mental

health clinics in 1993, she continued her work in medical bookkeeping for North End Health Center which became Open Cities in St. Paul until she retired with awards at the age of 85. During her retirement, she maintained an active life, frequently entertaining her family with her incomparable roast beef dinner. After a stroke in 2020 that partially disabled her, she moved to Scandia Shores Community where she received the help she needed until her death.

Maxine is survived by her daughter and son-in-law, Joyce and Bill Harley, by her grandchildren and their spouses, Jennifer and Phil Chalmers, Steve and Valie Harley, by her great grandchildren and their spouses, Ryan and Danielle Harley, Jessica and Josh Hansen, Andrea and Teran Grosz, and Katie Chalmers, and by her great-great grandchildren, Jackson Harley, Ada Harley, Ben Harley, Delilah Harley, Landon Hansen, Hallie Hansen, and Haddie Grosz.

The memorial service will be held at 1:00 on Thursday, December 21 at Scandia Shores Senior Living, 418 Highway 96 W, Shoreview, Minnesota.

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

DEC 21. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM.

Scandia Shores Assisted Living Chapel