



Marilyn Dykstra

December 21, 2005

Dykstra, Marilyn (nee Hoekstra) age 68, of Bloomington, passed away on December 20, 2005 after a prolonged & courageous fight with breast cancer. She was born in Duluth on January 27, 1937 to Clifford & Marjorie Hoekstra. Marilyn lived a life dedicated to Christ & his teachings and sought out His guidance in every facet of her life. Marilyn graduated from UMD in 1959 in Elementary Education & taught for a time in Racine, WI. She was an avid reader, gourmet cook, traveled to 19 countries, volunteered in the community & enjoyed her years of being "Grandma Cookie" to her 3 grandsons. Until her illness made it impossible, she was involved with many Christian organizations & was an active member of North Heights Lutheran Church of Arden Hills. Marilyn was preceded in death by her loving husband of 24 years, Lennie. She is survived by her children, Tracey Dykstra, Steven Dykstra & Jill (Paul) Sweiven, and her greatest treasures, grandsons: Nicholas, Joshua & Jacob Sweiven. She also leaves behind her brothers: Allan, Robert & Terry; and a host of relatives & a great many friends. A world of gratitude, more profound than we can express, to the N.C. Little Hospice of Edina for providing a caring, safe & loving place for Marilyn to leave this world with dignity. In lieu of flowers, memorials can be sent to the N.C. Little Hospice or the Susan G. Komen Foundation. Funeral Service: Fri., Dec. 23, 12 noon at Lakewood Chapel, 36th & Hennepin Ave, Mpls. Interment to follow. Visitation 1/2 hour prior to the service and THURSDAY EVENING, Dec. 22, 5-7 PM at: Washburn-McReavy Edina Chapel West 50th St. at Hwy 100 952-920-3996