



Marilyn Louise Wahlberg

May 24, 1929 - December 22, 2025

Marilyn L. Wahlberg, 96, a lifelong resident of the Twin Cities area, passed away on Dec. 22.

Born on May 24, 1929 in Minneapolis, Marilyn graduated from Washburn High School in 1947. She received a B.A. in home economics from the University of Minnesota in 1951. After college, she taught for three years in the Richfield school district.

Marilyn was a member of the Alpha Omicron Pi sorority. She met her husband Dean at an exchange dinner at the Sigma Nu fraternity house. They were married Dec. 29, 1951 in the old Mayflower Congregational Church, now the Museum of Russian Art.

Marilyn and Dean made their home in Bloomington for 10 years, North Oaks for 28 years and Woodbury for 28 years, before moving in 2022 to assisted living in Hudson, WI. They traveled extensively, including trips to Europe, Asia and Mexico. They enjoyed playing golf as members of the North Oaks Golf Club and while living beside Prestwick Golf Club in Woodbury. Other pursuits included hiking, playing bridge and singing in church choirs. Marilyn liked to garden and was an excellent seamstress, sewing many of her own clothes.

Marilyn and Dean loved the arts and had season tickets to the St. Paul

Chamber Orchestra, Lakeshore Players Theatre, Theatre de la Jeune Lune, Guthrie Theater and the Minnesota Opera.

Marilyn was preceded in death by her husband of 71 years, Dean A. Wahlberg. She is survived by son Bill (Sandi) Wahlberg of Little Canada, daughter Susan Lamb of Woodbury and son David (Rigoberto Gallegos) Wahlberg of Madison, WI; grandchildren Ryan Wahlberg, Holly Wahlberg, Jennifer (Brent) Molitor and Kelly (Matt) Segura; great-grandchildren Michael, Ben and Connor Wahlberg, Jackson Holubik and Maxine, Josephine and Camille Molitor; and sister Ann Evans of Minneapolis.

A Celebration of Life will be held at 1 p.m. on Jan. 13 at Plymouth Congregational Church, 1900 Nicollet Avenue S. Minneapolis. A reception will follow the service. In lieu of flowers, memorials to Plymouth Church are welcome.