



Marit Mary Swenson

August 22, 2001 - August 29, 2017

Age 16 of North Oaks. Passed away August 29, 2017 after a hard-fought and beautiful 6 month battle with brain cancer. Survived by her parents, Peter and Jennifer; brothers, Bjorn, Birk, Anders and Soren; grandparents, Mary Birkeland and Richard & Mary Swenson; uncles, aunts, cousins, Jonathan & Lana Birkeland (David, Brita & Liv) and Charlie & Kristin Musselman (Alex & Ben). Preceded in death by grandfather, David Soren Birkeland. Marit was God's blessing to us. Marit lived life to the fullest and touched others with her love, kindness and positive spirit. She truly was everyone's Sweet Marit. Marit had the ability to always find the positive in a person or situation, no matter the challenge. She saw the beauty that most do not see. Marit attended Turtle Lake Elementary School, Chippewa Middle School and Mounds View High School. Marit was extremely close to her parents and loved many fun traditions with both her mom and dad. Marit especially loved her brothers and developed an amazing relationship with each of them. Marit cherished many family travel adventures and cabin time at Bay Lake. Marit loved being with her friends and cousins: hanging out, laughing, and seeking out perfect places to take pictures. She also loved special time with Grandma and Grandpa & Nana. Marit was passionate about many things: tennis, running, school, her viola, music, Trout Lake Camp, Harry Potter, Hamilton, anything Disney and her dog, Maximus. We thank the many friends and family who cared for and supported Marit during her illness. We also thank Dr. Bendel and Dr. Tu at Children's Hospital Minnesota and Dr. Lulla at Lurie Children's Hospital,

Chicago and all the nurses and therapists, especially nurse Peggy. Visitation 4-8PM Tuesday, September 5 and funeral service 11AM Wednesday, September 6 (visitation begins at 10AM) all at INCARNATION LUTHERAN, 4880 Hodgson Rd., Shoreview. Private family interment Roselawn Cemetery. Memorials preferred to the family for future charitable purpose.

Tribute Wall

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“ *I'm so sorry for your loss*

Kristen Johnson - October 13, 2017 at 12:00 AM

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“ *My heart goes out to all of the extended Birkeland family (especially Grandma Mary who will remember the Magills from Illinois) on hearing this very sad news for you all. What a wonderful young lady Marit must have been and a treasure for her family to keep in their hearts with loving, beautiful, fond memories. I'm sure Grandpa David is welcoming, hugging and loving Marit for all of those she has left behind. Hugs to everyone from this Bay Lake lady who has such fond memories of that wonderful place.*

Christy Magill Baldwin - September 01, 2017 at 12:00 AM