



## Marlene Rae Mars

December 2, 1941 - April 14, 2020

Mars, Marlene R. (Canfield) Age 78, of Crystal, MN passed away on April 14, 2020. Preceded in death by her husband of 50 years, James T. Mars, parents Stewart & Alice Canfield, Brother Merlin Canfield and Grandson Jacob Mars. Marlene is survived by her children Duane (Lisa) Mars, Dawn (Jim) Stroschein and Doug (Melissa) Mars; 9 Grandchildren, Joshua (Chelsea), Jesse (Tanya), Chris (Cari), Jenna (Eric), Tommie (Lauren), Natasha (Sidney), Alicia (Chad), Lindsey (Daniel) and Travis; 19 Great-Grandchildren Esme, Calliope, Parker, Payton, Skyler, Noah, Maaliyah, Aurora, Laniah, Tommiah, Mateo, Aaron, Alaina, Charlie, Shawn, Alex, Adrian, Tommy and Mckenzie. Marlene graduated in 1958 from Patrick Henry High School in Minneapolis, MN. She was part of her Class Reunion Committee for many years. She enjoyed keeping in touch with many of her former classmates. Marlene lived her life faithful to God. She served as church treasurer, she was involved in Motion Choir, Chancel Choir, Loaves and Fishes, Feed My Starving Children and many other volunteer opportunities through her church. Marlene retired from J.C. Penney's after 25 years of service. She loved to sew, knit & crochet, garden and music. She was especially enjoyed listening to Barber Shop music. She will be remembered for her kind heart, generosity, and bright smile. She had unwavering strength and determination during her 26-year battle with Multiple Sclerosis (MS). Marlene's most cherished times were spent with family, church friends, J.C. Penney gals, and her life-long friends, Steve, Sally, Kay and Bob. She will be missed tremendously! "Forever with

the Angels, always in our hearts!" In lieu of flowers or memorials, you may donate in honor of Marlene to the National Multiple Sclerosis Society, The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society or the American Cancer Society. Due to the COVID 19 virus, a Celebration of Life will be held at a later date. Washburn-McReavy.com Glen Haven Chapel 763-533-8643