



## Mary Clare Wagner

March 5, 1933 - May 29, 2025

Mary Clare Wagner of Golden Valley, MN, passed away May 29th, 2025 at the age of 92. Mary was born to Maurice and Catherine Weinberger in New Ulm, MN, on March 5th, 1933, the third of five children. Mary lived with her family in New Ulm, Beardsley, Melrose, Jordan and finally in Nashwauk MN, where she married the love of her life, Warner Wagner, on June 25th, 1955. Mary and Warner raised their family of five children in the Twin Cities, before moving to their dream home in Moose Lake, MN in 1993.

Mary dedicated her life not only to her family but also to the care of others. After graduating from Jordan High School in 1950, she earned an RN degree at the College of Saint Catherine in 1953. Mary touched many lives as a nurse in the ER at St. Mary's Hospital in Minneapolis until 1984. After earning a BA in Health Care Management from Metro State University, she finished her career at Health Partners before retiring in 1995.

Mary was a proficient and talented quilter, and loved making beautiful creations for her children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren, as well as for friends and charity efforts. She loved birdwatching, gardening, sewing, camping, hiking, hunting, fishing, reading, movies, walking, singing, biking, canoeing, traveling, baking and celebrating holidays and events with her family and friends. Mary was an awesome cook, and loved sharing with everyone! She was a woman of great faith, and was always an active member

of her church, at Holy Name, St. Albert the Great and Sacred Heart in Minneapolis, Holy Angels in Moose Lake, and St. Mary of the Lake in Plymouth.

Family was so important to Mary. She was preceded in death by Warner, her soulmate and husband of 44 years, in 1999; her parents Maurice and Catherine Weinberger; her parents in law Marcy and Ray Wagner; her step-mother Dorothy Weinberger; her brothers Bump, Dick and Pete Weinberger; her son Pete Wagner; her granddaughter- in-law Molly Graebel; her great-grandson Kolbe Wagner; and her sons-in-law Greg Olson and Jeff Graebel.

What a family she left behind! Mary is survived by her sons Paul (Deb), John, and Mark (Leah) Wagner, and her daughter Catherine Graebel. She is also survived by her daughter-in-law Jean (Pat Murphy). 12 lucky grandchildren and their partners will remember Mary with love and happy memories: Heidi Tague (Brent Reiner), Chrissy (Justin) Graddy, Joe Wagner (Kelly Klein), Anders Olson (Elizabeth Kneip), Bekka (Jon) Krug, Matt (Alicia) Wagner, Sarah (Noah) Paulseth, Laura (Steve) Hecksel, Jayce (Baylyn) Wagner, Neal (Kiana) Wagner, Kevin (Shanna) Graebel and Brian (Megan) Graebel. 21 great-grandchildren are blessed to have had GG in their life: Jake, Hailey, Isabella, Liz, Olivia, Grace, Noah, Peter, Hannah, Ryan, Henry, Eleanor, Kayla, Madelyn, Emma, Eli, Whitley, Cora, Henry, Derek and Cooper. Mary is also survived by her brother Joe (Mary Ann) Weinberger, and other "family": Candy, Gordy, Tom, Brad, Rebecca, Nancy and Mike, and the Schlichts; and many beloved nieces, nephews and friends.

Funeral service 6/10/25 at St. Mary of the Lake Catholic Church, 105 Forestview Ln N, Plymouth MN. Mass at 11:00 with visitation one hour prior. Private burial at a later date.

Memorials preferred to: Sharing and Caring Hands, 401 N 7th ST,

Minneapolis, MN 55405.

Flowers may be sent directly to the church.

# Tribute Wall

JO

“ I remember Mary well. Mary was my Mom's niece, and Mary and Wig were good friends of my parents, Rollis and Lorraine, despite the age difference. Our family enjoyed many good picnics with the Wagner family. I am sorry that I've lost contact with Mary and her family. She was a wonderful woman and will be much missed. I'm not able to attend Mary's funeral. My love and blessings to the family.

*Jeff Odendahl*

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**Jeff Odendahl** - June 08, 2025 at 04:45 PM

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*Thank you, Jeff, for sharing your memories, and for your well-wishes. Mark and I were just talking about your parents and how nice they were. Mark is the youngest in the family, and I've been around long enough to have met them as well!*

*~Leah Wagner*

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**Leah Wagner** - June 12, 2025 at 02:12 PM

JW

“ John 11:25

*Jesus said, “I am the resurrection and the life. Whoever believes in me, though he die, yet shall he live, and everyone who lives and believes in me shall never die. Do you believe this?”*

*Mary Wagner is not dead.*

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**John Wagner** - June 04, 2025 at 08:28 PM