



M. Diane Holstrom

June 29, 1934 - February 7, 2025

M. Diane Holstrom, age 90, beloved mother, grandma, and great-grandma passed away peacefully Friday, Feb. 7, 2025, at her home. Diane was born June 29, 1934 to Norman and Mildred (Capron) Nordstrom. Though Diane was named Mildred after her mother, she was always known as Diane. After Diane's mother died, her father married Geraldine Gibson whom Diane lovingly called Mother. She graduated from St. Louis Park High School in 1952. Diane attended college at the University of Minnesota for two years. She married Gary Holstrom on March 7, 1955, beginning a loving partnership until Gary's passing in 2017.

Diane was an energetic person and always had a "project" going - knitting, sewing, painting, decorating. Diane hosted holidays and birthday parties and planned family and high school reunions. She played bridge, cards, board games, tennis, and golf. Diane enjoyed neighborhood coffees & parties, and her "NSB" girls group. Diane volunteered for many years at Courage Center where she was president for two years and received the "Sweetheart Award" in 1996. She watched her grandkids sports while basking in the sun.

Diane had an adventurous spirit: flying the Concorde to Paris, chipping away the fallen Berlin Wall, or riding a train in Alaska. She and Gary toured Europe when living in Orleans, France in 1955. They traveled to Palm Desert, Hawaii, Alaska, Mexico, Sweden, Norway, Russia, England, and places where their

ancestors came from. She treasured the time spent with friends and family at their cabin on Lake Sylvia in Annandale. Friends, caregivers, and family thought Diane was a sweetheart.

Survived by daughters, Susan (Paul) Johnson of Alexandria, Cindy (Mark Schultz) Holstrom of Los Altos, CA, and Jill (Dan) Dauth of Minneapolis; son, Steven Holstrom of Hopkins; nine grandchildren and spouses; eight great-grandchildren with two more on the way; sister-in-law, Cheryl Pohl of Naples, FL; as well as many nieces, nephews, and long-time friends. Preceded in death by her husband, Gary; parents, Norman and Gerry; and sisters, Norma, Sharon, and Margaret.

Visitation will be held on Sunday, Feb. 23 from 1-3 PM and one hour prior to the memorial service on Monday, Feb. 24 at 2:30 PM at Washburn-McReavy Edina Chapel, 5000 West 50th St, Edina, MN. For those who are unable to attend in person, a livestream of the service will be available at www.washburn-mcreavy.com. From Diane's obituary page, click the blue tab that says "Photos & Videos", or if you are on a smartphone, tap on the tab that says "Media".

Memorials may be given to <https://www.allinahealth.org/give> - please specify - Courage Kenny Rehabilitation Institute or donor's preference.

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB **23**. 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM (CT)

Edina Chapel
5000 West 50th & Highway 100
Edina, MN 55436

Visitation

FEB **24**. 1:30 PM - 2:30 PM (CT)

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Memorial Service

FEB **24**. 2:30 PM - 3:30 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ Washburn-McReavy Funeral Chapels created a Memorial Service for Mildred Diane Holstrom in memory of M. Diane Holstrom



Washburn-McReavy - February 11, 2025 at 04:47 PM



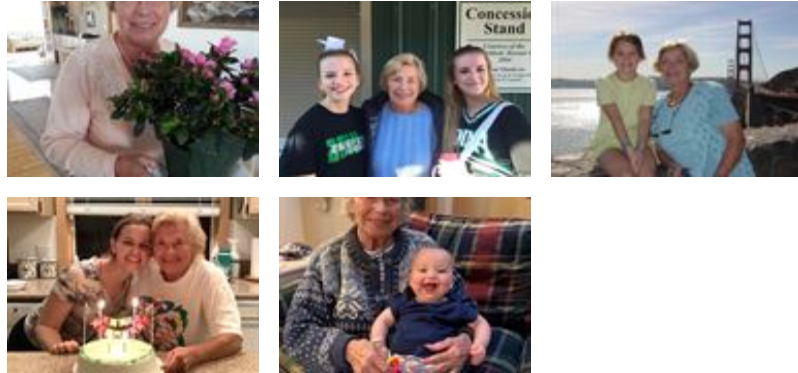
“ To my Holstrom cousins and their families: I was sad to learn of Aunt Diane's passing. It happened so quickly I didn't have a chance to formally say good bye. I am grateful Amy and I were able to have lunch with her last Spring. We shared some great memories and laughs. I will miss her dearly. Watching the services on-line since I can't be with all of you today. For those I saw yesterday, it was nice to see all of you.



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Washburn-McReavy - February 20, 2025 at 04:14 PM



“ *Diane and I were neighbors. It was flower planting time. My husband was in the hospital so I was not up to planting geraniums in my flower box which I did every Spring. I came home from the hospital one day to find that Diane had planted beautiful geraniums in my flower box. Diane - always so thoughtful. So very sorry for your loss.*
Betty Erlandson

Betty Erlandson - February 18, 2025 at 07:35 PM