



Norma Janice Schmalzbauer

April 14, 1938 - March 7, 2023

Schmalzbauer, Norma Janice (Viken) 84, formerly of Minneapolis, passed away on 3/7/23 in Arlington Heights, Illinois, following significant health challenges. Norma entered the world at 4:34 am on 4/14/38 at Swedish Hospital. The granddaughter of Norwegian immigrants (who were also the grandparents of WCCO radio personality Howard Viken), she spent her early years in NE Minneapolis. She graduated from Minnehaha Academy in 1956. Much to the chagrin of her Norwegian grandpa, Norma entered the Swedish Hospital School of Nursing. After a stint at Swedish, she worked at Gustafson-Carr and the Camden Clinic, before taking a break to raise a family. Norma met the love of her life at the Hennepin Avenue Methodist Church, tying the knot in 1966. She poured herself into the lives of her children, driving them to music lessons and chaperoning high school band trips. She was a loving and tenacious advocate for her kids. Norma returned to nursing in 1991, working at Presbyterian Homes until retirement. She moved to Missouri in 2005, enjoying frequent visits to Illinois. Preceded in death by her parents Arthur and Evelyn Viken and brother Gary (survived by spouse Janlyn), she is survived by Arnold Schmalzbauer, her husband of 56 years, sister Pam (Jameel), children John (Susan) and Julie, and grandchildren John Henry, Max, and Martin. A graveside service will be held at 3 p.m. on Wednesday 5/31/23 at Hillside Cemetery.