



## Patricia Sprague

August 12, 2017

Patricia 'Pat' Louise Sprague of Grand Rapids, MN and Queen Valley, AZ passed-away peacefully with her family by her side on Saturday, August 12, 2017 at the age of 83 years. Pat is predeceased by her parents William 'Bill' and Alda Chambers, husband Lee Sprague and son Gerald 'Jerry' Sprague. Pat is survived by her daughters, Michele (Duane) Krueger and Linda (Pat) McBride; grandchildren, Christopher (Karrah) Oliver, Leigh McBride, Michael McBride, Brianna Tyson and Bryan McBride; great-grandchildren, Adeline and Eleanor Oliver; brother, Michael (Judy) Chambers; plus numerous family members and friends. Pat was born in Anoka, MN on April 19, 1934. At age 8, she and her family moved to Hibbing, MN and later on to Keewatin, MN where she attended R. L. Downing High School. It was there that she met her life-long-love, Lee Sprague. She graduated salutatorian and continued her schooling at Hamline University in St. Paul, MN in the nursing program. After graduating, she and Lee were married at St. James Episcopal church in Hibbing on April 21, 1956. They moved to Fargo, ND where Lee attended classes at NDSU while Pat worked as a psychiatric nurse at St. Ansgar Hospital in Moorhead, MN. Her nursing career was put on hold while she raised their three children, but never one to sit idle, Pat spent her spare time volunteering with local senior citizen groups and on the board of the YMCA/YWCA where she was nominated for the 'Woman of the Year' award. She was also an active member of Gethsemane Episcopal Cathedral. Pat loved to travel, bake, play cards and other games. She had an incredible

memory and was a much-sought-after partner in the game 'Trivial Pursuit'. She enjoyed spending summers at the family home on Pokegama Lake and winters in Arizona where she and Lee enjoyed spending time with their family and many friends. Funeral service to take place on Sunday, August 20th at Washburn-McReavy Funeral Chapel, 1827 Coon Rapids Blvd, Coon Rapids, MN at 1:00 p.m. Visitation will be from 12:00-1:00 p.m. Memorial donations in memory of Pat can be made to the National Parkinson's Foundation. Thank you to Allina Hospice and J. A. Wedum Residential Hospice for their compassionate care. A burial service for both Lee and Patricia Sprague will take place in Fargo in October (information will be posted at a later date).

# Tribute Wall



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Patricia Sprague.*



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“ *Hello: I am the daughter of Joyce and Cal Bardine, I ran across Pat's obituary today in the Duluth paper and was also surprised to see that Lee has also passed recently. I have noting but fond memories of both Pat with all her wisdom and soft spoken voice and Lee, who always towered over me but was really a teddy bear. I remember the times at the cabin in Grand Rapids, being snowed in for a couple days. I live close to Grand Rapids and should have visited. The world will not be the same without these two beautiful people.*

*With Sympathy  
Julie Bardine Christensen  
Keewatin, MN*

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**Julie Bardine Christensen** - August 17, 2017 at 11:17 AM