



## Ruby Svenson

June 22, 1924 - April 14, 2024

Ruby Elsie Maria Johnson Svenson was called into the presence of her LORD and Savior, Jesus Christ, on Sunday, April 14, 2024, just short of her 100th birthday.

She was born in Swedish Hospital in Minneapolis, grew up in Lauderdale where she attended Lauderdale School, and graduated from Marshall High School in Minneapolis.

Visiting her aunt and uncle on Long Island, New York, she met her future husband, Werner Svenson. After their wedding back in Minnesota, the couple moved for a short time back to New York. Returning to Minnesota, the couple had their first son, followed by another son a few years later. The Svensons moved "temporarily" to Miami, Florida, but stayed for many years, raising both their sons in South Florida. During those years, Ruby returned to school to be a nurse, working many years mostly in Pediatrics. After more than twenty years in Florida, the couple returned to Minnesota, staying through retirement.

Ruby was preceded in death by her husband, Werner, as well as her parents, a sister, a brother, and many other relatives and friends. She is survived by her sons, Donald (Gayle) from Franklin, NC, and David (Carol) from Blaine, MN, her brother, Harry Johnson from North Oaks, MN, grandchildren Allison (Max) Plavec from Arden Hills, MN, Kent (Emily) from Brooklyn Center, MN,

and Joel from Blaine, MN, and several nieces and nephews.

The hallmark of Ruby's life was the reality of her personal faith in God's Son, Jesus. This faith was her anchor through many joys and difficulties of life, giving her joy and peace, leading her to serve in many areas of church ministries with children and adults - singing in the choir, teaching Sunday School and Vacation Bible School, and serving in many miscellaneous capacities - all to the glory of God.

One of her favorite songs, often requested with the music therapist from St. Croix Hospice, was "Jesus Loves Me." She wanted everyone to know the saving grace of Jesus, the Savior and LORD she served from a very young age.

She requested no funeral. A private interment will take place. The family is asking that memorials be given in Ruby's memory to The Gideons International, either online, by phone at 1-866-382-4253, or by mail at The Gideons International Processing Center, P.O. Box 97251, Washington, DC 20090-7251.

# Cemetery Details

## **Incarnation Lutheran Cemetery**

893 County Road J  
Lino Lakes, MN 55014

# Tribute Wall

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“ I have so many wonderful memories of Aunt Ruby. Countless meals, sleepovers with David, and so many other fun times growing up. I know I'll see you again at the great reunion with our Savior.  
Donald McLaughlin

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**Donald McLaughlin** - April 19, 2024 at 03:41 PM

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“ Aunt Ruby what can I say to the many years together growing up in Miami and Hollywood , Florida. The countless time of celebrating holidays especially Christmas with all the food. Your laugh was unique and very special. Your love for Jesus was a great example for us all. We loved you dearly and we will see you again in heaven.  
Gordon, Fella, Swenson

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**Gordon Swenson** - April 17, 2024 at 08:56 PM