



Trudy Wasson

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Wasson, Trudy (Sondrol) Age 71, born May 25, 1938, in Minneapolis. Died December 28, 2009, at Methodist Hospital, St. Louis Park, MN from complications following heart surgery. Survived by husband, Boyd; daughter, Julie (Pete) Baird, Plainfield, IL; sons, Mark, Seattle, WA and Eric (Janine), Cedar Rapids, IA; grandchildren, Duncan and Reilly Baird, and Justin and Kristin Wasson; also her brothers, Harold, Cedar Rapids, IA, and Iver, Jr. (Karen), Phoenix, AZ. Preceded in death by parents, Iver and Evelyn (Oas) Sondrol and son, Tom. Trudy was raised and completed high school in Cedar Rapids. While attending Iowa State University, she met and married Boyd, March 1, 1959. The next few years were busy with the arrival of three of her four children, all the while she ran a thriving dressmaking business from her home so she could be at home to raise her kids and help her husband through college. After a trip to Norway, Trudy decided to learn Rosemaling (a decorative form of Norwegian oil painting) so that she could paint "something" for her Norwegian parents. Trudy not only learned, but excelled, winning the prestigious Vesterheim Gold Medal. She went on to author two books, numerous pattern designs, and teach this beautiful art form all across the country. Several of her pieces are in the museum. In the 1980's, the real estate business beckoned. She became an agent, spending most of her 21 year career at RE/MAX Results in Eden Prairie. Though a transplant to the area, she soon established herself as a dominant force in the market through unwaivering determination and dedication to her clients. If Trudy was your

realtor, you were taken care of...all the way. In the early 2000's, Trudy took up quilting as a way to unwind from real estate. But as was her nature, dabbling, it was not. She began entering the Paducah quilt show, the grand-daddy of them all. She's had seven quilts in the show, winning 1st place for Traditional Wall two years back. Two of her quilts are now part of the National Quilt Museum's collection. She began Generations Quilt Patterns with her daughter in 2006 and has been designing ever since. Memorial Service 11 AM Tuesday, Jan. 5, with visitation one hour before at Faith Presbyterian Church, 12007 Excelsior Blvd., Minnetonka, MN. Washburn-McReavy Eden Prairie Chapel 952-975-0400