



Verna Jean Camerer

May 4, 1942 - April 12, 2026

Verna "Jean" Lightly Camerer, age 83 of Bloomington, MN went to be with the Lord on April 12th, 2026, surrounded by her loving family.

Jean was born in Austin, MN on May 4th, 1942, to Herbert and Helen (Toyne) Lightly, one of four children. She graduated from Austin High School. Immediately following graduation, she worked at Home Federal as a receptionist.

She received Jesus as her Savior at home as a child with her mother leading her in a simple bedtime prayer that she lived out every day of her life.

Jean married Roger Camerer on July 25th, 1964. She was a faithful wife who traveled throughout Minnesota as a wife of a forester while living in Benson, MN. She then supported her husband while he attended Bethel Seminary to become a pastor. She served as a pastor's wife in Milaca, MN and Edgewater Baptist Church in South Minneapolis. She was very active working and volunteering at Trout Lake Camps in various capacities. Jean worked as the office manager of Eastlund, Solstad, & Hutchinson Law Firm for many years. She later served as a faithful volunteer at Greenfield Village Community Church in Mesa, AZ for over 30 years where she and Roger spent their winters.

Jean overcame many medical crises for many years including cancer, pancreatitis, and kidney failure just to name a few with a spirit of grace and courage while never giving up and showing resilience and utmost strength.

Jean was preceded in death by her parents, Herbert and Helen, brothers Paul and Roger Craig, sister Joyce Roberts, sister-in-law Janice Lightly and nephew, Andy Lightly. She is survived by her husband, Roger, of 61 years.

The Lord gives and the Lord takes. Blessed be the name of the Lord. Thank you God for lending us your child. We praise your name. With a smile on her face and peace in her heart, we too have peace.

A private family interment occurred at Oakwood Cemetery in Austin, MN. A Celebration of Life will be held on Friday, April 24th, with a visitation at 10:00 followed by the service at 11:00 at Berean Baptist Church, 309 County Road 42 in Burnsville, MN.

In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation to Trout Lake Camps.

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Werness Brothers Bloomington Chapel 952-884-8145

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 24. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Berean Baptist Church (Burnsville)
309 East County Rd. 42
Burnsville, MN 55337

Celebration of Life

APR 24. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

Berean Baptist Church (Burnsville)
309 East County Rd. 42
Burnsville, MN 55337

Tribute Wall

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“ I first met Jean (and Roger) at Mink Lake Camp when the Carlsons attended family camp in the late 70s and early 80s. In that remote and intimate environment, Jean and Roger became like family. Over the years there were more opportunities to catch up and share our lives, including when Jean and Roger helped my own young family find a church home when we first moved to Arizona. Jean was a faithful child of God who every day showed what it looks like to serve well and with wonder at the grace of our Lord. So glad you are enjoying the beauty of His full presence today, Jean!

Maria Carlson Bergstrom - April 23 at 09:15 PM



“ Treasured Lilies Spray was purchased for the family of Verna Jean Camerer.



April 21 at 05:39 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Verna Jean Camerer.

April 21 at 05:39 PM

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“ Jean was a faithful witness of Jesus. I know her as a friend of my mom. She always prayed for my mom and us kids. Jean planted seeds in those prayers. Some fell on good soil. The kind that grew up in fertile ground and held on tightly to the vine that gives true life. John 16:33 comes to mind. She reminds me that I indeed was given truth in my growing up. Nothing but the blood of Jesus is my memory of Jean.



Jeffrey Salovich - April 18 at 10:57 PM

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“ Jean was such a beautiful person. She exuded joy and an ease with people I always admired. She was as comfortable, it seemed, in a canoe in the Boundary Waters as she was greeting people at church on Sunday morning. My dad thought so highly of her and valued her contribution in the law firm. Her partnership with Roger was lovely to behold, and I offer my deepest condolences to him and the family. She will be missed.

Karna Haugen - April 17 at 06:56 PM