



## Verna Mae Westin

September 28, 1929 - April 10, 2020

Westin, Verna Mae Age 90, of Edina, passed away April 10, 2020. Preceded in death by parents, Walter and Helen Lund; husband, Wes; sister, Jean; twin sons that died in infancy; and granddaughter, Emily. Married to husband Wes, 54 years. Survived by four children, Ingrid Christine (Jeff) Polkinghorne, Scott Eric (Luka), Michael Arthur (Kathie), Lisa Jean (DJ) Turner; 16 grandchildren; and 20 great-grandchildren. Verna was a wonderful daughter, wife, mother, grandmother, great-grandmother and friend to many. Verna supported husband, Wes, in an ambitious business career while raising four children. They moved 13 times eventually settling in Edina, Minnesota where they lived for 25 years. Verna was very much a family person. Her husband, children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren were the joy of her life. She and Wes retired to Savannah, Georgia in 1993 and Verna continued to live there until she moved back to Minnesota in 2019 to be closer to her family. Verna graduated with a BA degree in Textiles from University of Minnesota in 1978. She worked as a consultant in fabrics and textiles after finishing her degree. She loved cooking (gourmet chef) and entertaining, was an avid bridge player with master's points, playing golf and other recreational activities, traveling, and art. Verna always enjoyed learning. She and Wes had a retreat in Northern Minnesota which was a wonderful family gathering place in which many lasting memories were created. Memorials preferred to donor's favorite charity. Due to Coronavirus concerns a memorial service will be held at a later date. Inquiries directed to: [Washburn-McReavy.com](http://Washburn-McReavy.com) Edina Chapel 952-920-



# Tribute Wall

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“ Verna and Wes were the first new friends that Don and I met when we were matched with them for a golf round at The Landings in the early 1990’s. That day began a long long friendship of golf, travel, bridge, great wine and food, parties with friends and relatives, etc. Our lives were greatly enriched by all the good times we shared.

Carolyn Steelman

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Carolyn Steelman - May 01, 2020 at 11:40 AM

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“ Bob and I fondly remember Verna and Wes who were kind enough to share their home with us when we first moved to Minneapolis and had to shop for a house. I also remember all of the extended family meals that we all shared in Edina or Minnetonka. I could never figure it out, but Verna always asked me to bring a molded salad when dinner was at her house. I guess she thought the kids liked it; I never made one at my house. The longest lasting memory our family has is the Swedish smorgasbord dinner on Christmas Eve. Even now we continue that custom on a modified basis. It is hard to get good Swedish sausage when you don't live in Minnesota or some other place with Swedes. To this day I make Swedish meatballs (the low-fat broiled way without cream because I am lactose intolerant) and serve them with lingonberries. I have introduced this dish to many of my friends here in Pennsylvania.

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Marilyn Hoffman - April 16, 2020 at 01:49 PM