



## Zita Marie Kennedy

January 10, 1938 - July 20, 2017

Age 79

Passed away July 20, 2017. Graduate of Central H.S. and the U of MN's School of Journalism. A gifted athlete, she was a member of the St. Paul Figure Skating Club in the 1950s when they performed musicals on ice! She was also a talented piano player. With SPAN (Student Project for Amity among Nations), she traveled to Japan in 1959 beginning a life-long affection for all things Japanese. Her career highlights included: promotion director for Midway Center, working in HR for Great American Ins. Co., and financial analyst for Juran and Moody. She finished her work career at MET Council in the 1990s. In her 50's she began gardening, and with that came the gift of bonding with sister Joan via daily phone calls, trips to local nurseries and hours in the dirt. Survived by children, Elizabeth Doherty (Steve Polson), Susan Wright (Butch), Robert Doherty, Barbara Doherty; grandchildren, Kate MacDonald, Jon Rose, Emily Morrison, Shadoe Duran and Ashley Wright; sister, Susan Bain; brother, Donald Kennedy; nieces, nephews other relatives and friends. Preceded in death by parents, Alton R. and Louise W. (Preiner) Kennedy; siblings, James, Joan (Becker), Jack, Jean, K.C. (Freichels.) Share memories of our mom, grandma, sister, aunt and friend at a Remembrance Gathering at HOLCOMB-HENRY-BOOM-PURCELL Funeral Home, 536 Snelling Ave. N., St. Paul Thursday, Aug. 31 from 1-2 PM with a Time of Sharing at 2 PM. Reception to follow service. Memorials preferred to SPAN, Hamline-Midway Elders or Store-to-Door.



# Tribute Wall

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“*Healing has come for my friend, Zita. and a time of farewell for those of us who were family and friends. May you rest surrounded by love.*”

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**Ardyce "Gus" Gustafson Rigg** - August 30, 2017 at 12:00 AM

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“*My deepest sympathies.*”

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**Mary Ellen Clasemann** - July 21, 2017 at 12:00 AM