

## *In Loving Memory*

Loraine was born November 24, 1928, in Chippewa Falls Township to John and Malene (Iverson) Simonson. The family moved to Alexandria, where she graduated from Alexandria High School. She earned her Nursing LPN diploma in March 1947 and started at St Luke Hospital in Alexandria. After Douglas County Hospital was built, she transferred there and worked for 33 years. In the spring of 1956, she met the love of her life and married Walter Erickson on November 10, 1956. They loved each other deeply until Loraine was widowed when Walter passed away on May 26, 1977.

Loraine was a great cook and loved cooking huge meals for extended family and friends which usually ended with her signature dessert, apple pie. Her favorite activities were the family vacations and ensuring everyone that she deeply loved them. Other interests included camping, fishing, playing Whist, reading, spending time with animals, and helping wherever needed at church activities at First Lutheran Church in Alexandria where she was baptized, taught Sunday school, was married and raised her children.

Loraine was very passionate about her walk in the Lord. She loved with the heart of Jesus. Loraine loved talking about heaven and going home. She loved sharing Bible readings, and always made sure you knew she loved you and Jesus loved you.

Loraine moved to Willmar to be near her youngest son, David. She lived in Copperleaf Assisted Living until she had a fall, then moved to Bethesda Grand for additional care. For the past few years, Loraine kept busy with card playing (especially Whist), puzzles, and many activities at the healthcare facility.

Loraine Erickson, age 92, of Alexandria was ushered into heaven on Friday, February 5, 2021 as a resident of Bethesda Grand/Carris Health-Rice Hospice in Willmar.

Loraine is survived by children: Bill (Dawn) Erickson, Alexandria, MN and Margaret White, St Paul Park, MN; grandchildren: Melissa Erickson, Emmaus, PA, Travis (Amber) Erickson, Nelson, MN, Michael Erickson, Cedar City, UT, Kenneth White, Maplewood, MN, Jonathan White, Bellevue, NE, and Isabelle Erickson, Osakis, MN; great-grandchildren: Brooklynn, Jocelynn, and Raelynn.

Loraine was preceded in death by her parents; her husband: Walter; her son: David; and 3 sisters: Bessie, Jenora and Mildred.



*Loraine Erickson*

*1928 ~ 2021*

*In Remembrance*

***Lorraine Doris Irene Erickson***

November 24, 1928 † February 5, 2021

***The Twenty-Third Psalm***

*The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want.*

*He maketh me to lie down in green pastures:  
He leadeth me beside the still waters.*

*He restoreth my soul. He leadeth me in the  
paths of righteousness for His name's sake.*

*Yea, though I walk through the valley of the  
shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art  
with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.*

*Thou preparest a table before me in the presence  
of mine enemies: thou anointest my head with oil:  
my cup runneth over.*

*Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me  
all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the  
house of the Lord forever.*

**Funeral Service**

New Life Christian Church  
Alexandria, Minnesota  
Saturday, February 13, 2021  
11 AM

**Officiant**

Pastor John Taplin

**Musician**

Sue Ronning

**Casket Bearers**

Kenneth White	Jonathan White
Travis Erickson	Isabelle Erickson
Melissa Erickson	Michael Erickson

**Interment**

Kinkead Cemetery  
Alexandria, Minnesota

