

Rose Ann Mary (Lee) Maloney was born on January 2, 1932, in Evansville Township, Douglas County, Minnesota to Halver and Gertrude (McCullor) Lee. She was baptized and confirmed at St. Ann's Catholic Church in Brandon. Rose Ann graduated from Evansville High School and went on to Nursing School doing her studies at St. Gabriel's in Little Falls and St. Mary's in Rochester. After earning her degree, she returned back to Alexandria and started her nursing career at Lady of Mercy Hospital and later moved to the Douglas County Hospital.

Rose Ann was united in marriage to Eugene Maloney on May 6, 1954, at St. Ann's Catholic Church in Brandon. To this union the couple was blessed with 3 children, Debra, Renae and Patrick. Rose Ann continued her loved nursing career and was asked to spearhead the Ambulatory Services/Surgery Center at the Douglas County Hospital. She retired from nursing after 42 years. Even after retirement, she was an enthusiastic learner through the senior college.

Rose Ann enjoyed following politics, being involved in many clubs including: Girl Scouts, Zetetic Club, Investment Club, Alexandria Technical College, St. Mary's Catholic Church with the Christian Mothers, Daughters of Isabella, and she was the original founder of Hockey Mom's to raise money for the ice arena. She loved Alexandria and being at the cabin on Lake Ida. Rose Ann also loved being around people, entertaining, and being at a good party. Most of all, Rose Ann loved being with her family and especially loved attending events of the grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Rose Ann died on Tuesday, September 21, 2021, at the age of 89. She is survived by her daughters, Debra (Doug Thompson) Oleson of Alexandria and Renae (Tom) Hills of Alexandria; son, Pat Maloney of Alexandria; grandchildren, Josh (Betsy) Hills, Angela (Sinon) Janay, Steven (Alisa) Maloney, Rachel (Ryan) Buse, Lindsey (Nate) Bosek, Lexi Maloney, Trent (Hope) Thompson, and Cori Thompson; 13 great-grandchildren; brother, Arnold Lee of Alexandria; sisters, Gladys (Jake) Hiem of Topeka, KS and Linda Lee of Minneapolis; sister-in-law, Susan (Arlynn Johnson) Lee; and many nieces and nephews. Rose Ann is preceded in death by her husband, Eugene Maloney; parents, Halver and Gertrude; brothers, Dennis, Roger, and Donald Lee; and special friend, Cal Granlund.

I'm Free

*Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free,
I'm following the path God laid for me.*

*I took his hand when I heard his call,
I turned my back and left it all.*

I could not stay another day,

To laugh, to love, to work, to play.

Tasks left undone must stay that way,

I've found that peace at the close of the day.

If my parting has left a void,

Then fill it with remembered joy.

A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss,

Ah yes, these things I too will miss.

Be not burdened with times of sorrow,

I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow.

My Life's been full, I savoured much,

Good friends, good times, a loved one's touch,

Perhaps my time seemed all too brief,

Don't lengthen it now with undue grief.

Lift up your heart and share with me,

God wanted me now, He set me free.

In Memory of
**Rose Ann
Mary Maloney**

January 2, 1932



September 21, 2021

Mass Of Christian Burial
St. Mary's Catholic Church
Alexandria, Minnesota
Wed, September 29, 2021
1:00 PM



Officiant

Reverend Father Matthew Kuhn

Honorary Urn Bearers

All of Rose Ann's
Grandchildren and Great-Grandchildren

Interment

St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery
Alexandria, Minnesota

The family would like to thank everyone in attendance today. Everyone is invited to stay for a time of fellowship, bars and cookies in the Great Hall.