



Doris Patricia Brineman

March 31, 1926 - November 4, 2021

Doris Patricia (Lare) Brineman peacefully passed away in her home at Meadowood Retirement Community on November 4, 2021. Born March 31, 1926 in Ft. Wayne Indiana, she was the oldest child of John L and Patricia M (Collins) Lare. She is survived by her three daughters Barbara Council, Martha Taylor (Dan), and Joan Breeden (Richard); 10 grandchildren, and 10 great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband Don, parents, brother (Walter Robert), and one great-grandson.

In the fall of 1944, Doris moved to Bloomington to attend the Indiana University School of Journalism where she earned her degree. While there she met the love of her life, Don, whom she married in 1947. They decided to make Bloomington their home. Throughout their adult lives, they gave their time and support to make Bloomington a beautiful and welcoming community in which to live.

After her graduation from IU, Doris joined the Local Council of Women. She was asked to write press releases to help raise funds for the Bloomington Hospital. This earned her the privilege of serving on the founding board of the Hospital Foundation. It also led to her position as the first Public Relations Director for the Bloomington Hospital, a position she held for 21 years.

Following her retirement she continued to volunteer at the hospital for the next 35 years. She also continued her career in journalism by working part time for the IU News Bureau as a copy editor, mentoring journalism students for 12 years. After moving into Meadowood she shared her writing and editing skills

with the Anthology group.

Doris was an active member of the First Christian Church, Disciples of Christ for more than 70 years supporting both the church itself and church activities which served the community, including: the Interfaith Winter Shelter, Habitat for Humanity, and front desk receptionist. Doris volunteered with the Meals on Wheels, Bloomington Thrift Shop, and many other organizations. In addition to serving on the Hospital Foundation Board, she also served on the Boards of Directors for the Bloomington Park and Recreation Department Foundation, and Indiana University Retirees Association.

Doris enjoyed playing bridge with friends in Blue Ridge and Meadowood as well as reading, and entertaining. She also loved a quiet evening with friends and family and a glass of wine. Her pleasant personality was contagious to everyone she met. Doris loved living at Meadowood Retirement Community. The family would like to thank Meadowood for providing her with an active living and social environment with the independence and privacy she desired. Both visitation and Celebration of Life will take place at First Christian Church, Disciples of Christ (corner of Kirkwood and Washington). Family will receive friends Thursday November 11 from 4 – 6 p.m. A Celebration of Doris' Life will be held at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday November 13.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the First Christian Church or Monroe County United Ministries (MCUM).

Allen Funeral Home and Crematory 4155 South Old State Road 37 is handling the arrangements and online condolences, photos and memories may be shared with family and friends at www.allencares.com

Cemetery Details

Valhalla Memory Gardens

310 North Johnson Ave.
Bloomington, IN 47401

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV 11. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

First Christian Church
205 East Kirkwood Ave
Bloomington, IN 47408

Memorial Service

NOV 13. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

First Christian Church
205 East Kirkwood Ave
Bloomington, IN 47408

Tribute Wall

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“ *Kathy and Mike Walsh purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Doris Patricia Brineman.*



Kathy and Mike Walsh - November 09, 2021 at 04:24 PM

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“ *Barb, Marsue, and Joanie,*

Your mom was awesome. A great lady and a wonderful neighbor to my parents, myself, and siblings. God Bless your mom.

Kathy Walsh

Kathleen - November 09, 2021 at 04:15 PM

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“ *Mr. and Mrs. Brineman (I could never call them by their first names) were my Fairy Godfather and Fairy Godmother. They treated me as one of their own, showed how to love, laugh, and live and how to be passionate about everything one does. Peace and comfort to all. My heart aches, but know the loves are back at each other's sides.*
Judy Shellhamer Kuhn

Judith Kuhn - November 09, 2021 at 11:37 AM

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“ *Doris and Don Brineman were friends of ours for years. We spent many a new year's eve with them. My late husband John really liked Don and they traveled on many baseball trips together with Lloyd Olcott and Jack Mulholland. They have been faithful members of the First Christian Church and our children attended a Sunday School class with Don as their teacher. Doris always had a smile on her face and was very out going and upbeat. I will miss her.*

My prayers go out to her family.

Truly, Gerry Miller

Gerry Miller - November 09, 2021 at 10:54 AM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Doris Patricia Brineman.*



November 09, 2021 at 09:11 AM