



# Lois Anne ROSENOW

1934 ~ 2024

Lois was born on August 30, 1934 in Princeton, West Virginia, the fourth of six children to S. Clyde Maxey and Elizabeth (Young) Maxey. She entered the eternal arms of her Lord Jesus Christ on April 8, 2024.

Lois grew up on the family farm in Spanishburg, WV and graduated from Spanishburg High School. The importance of education was nurtured in her family, and she received a B.A. in both biology and education from Concord College in Athens, WV. Both of her parents and each of her siblings also obtained degrees from there.

Lois moved to LaPorte, Indiana in 1954 to begin her over 30-year teaching career with LaPorte Community School Corporation. She began at Park Elementary School, then received her masters degree in English from Valparaiso University before returning to teaching 4th grade at Lincoln School. She completed her career at LaPorte High School, teaching in the English Department.

Lois met the love of her life, Donald Rosenow, in his hometown of LaPorte, and they were married in August, 1956. Their son Neil was born the following year. The family were active members of Bethany Lutheran Church, and Lois served for many years on various committees and on the church board. Having caught Don's passion for golf, Lois began joining him on the course and became a member of Beachwood in LaPorte. Her proficiency at the game grew over the years, leading her eventually to winning a club championship.

After both of their retirements in 1988, Lois and Don moved to the Village of Oak Creek to live near Neil's family. They joined Christ Lutheran Church in Sedona where Lois again served on the church council and in many other capacities. Her Saturday mornings were reserved for bell choir rehearsal, and she loved playing with this ensemble for Sunday worship services. She truly cherished her church family.

For Lois golf remained one of her favorite activities. She was a member of Oak Creek Country Club where she played in the Women's League throughout her retirement years, winning tournaments and making lasting friendships.

Lois and Don loved travelling and made many trips throughout the U.S. and Europe. She loved history and was an active member in the local Questers Club, writing historical articles and stories that she shared with members and publications. Loving everything about plants, she continued furthering her education by acquiring the designation of Master Gardener, and her backyard flourished with a wide array of trees, shrubs, and flowers.

Always dedicated to her family, Lois taught both of her granddaughters to read by age 4 and continued to support and encourage them in all of their endeavors as they grew to adulthood. A woman of character and empathy, she will be remembered as a caring friend who would go out of her way to provide a comfort or kindness.

Lois is pre-deceased by her husband Don, four sisters and a brother, and is survived by her son, Neil (Lisa) of Cottonwood, AZ, granddaughters Kerry Rosenow of Mesa, AZ, and Sarah Brack (Kyle) of Phoenix, and great-grandson Kieran Brack. Also surviving are nieces, nephews, cousins, and many friends who will greatly miss her.

Celebration of Life services will be held at Christ Lutheran Church, Sedona, on Saturday, May 4th at 11:00 a.m. Memorial contributions may be made to Christ Lutheran Church.