



## Doreen Victoria (Myhre) Dahl

July 25, 1925 - May 29, 2024

Dateline: Spring Grove, MN

Doreen Victoria (Myhre) Dahl, formerly of Spring Grove, passed away on May 29, 2024 at the age of 98, in Cincinnati, Ohio. Born on July 25, 1925 in Spring Grove, Minnesota, Doreen was the daughter of Stella (Qualey) and Martin Myhre.

The third of four daughters, she grew up on the family farm. For many years of her early schooling, she attended a one-room schoolhouse. She and her sisters often had to cross-country ski to school in the cold Minnesota winters. When she was in high school, buses became available to students in the country, so she was able to go to school in town. She graduated from Spring Grove High School in 1943.

After high school, Doreen followed her two older sisters to Minneapolis, where they were already working. There, she entered the work force, and embarked on a very interesting career. She got a job at WCCO radio, and became the special assistant to Cedric Adams, a famous journalist and broadcaster in the upper Midwest. She got to meet numerous celebrities, and often traveled along when the Cedric Adams radio show went on the road. She also became a very successful fashion model. She was a runway model, did public appearances at events, and appeared in numerous print ads and magazines. Her sister said that they would often open the society section in the Sunday newspaper to see if Doreen was featured in any ads that week! She modeled for various department stores in the city, and also taught modeling for a while. At one point, she was even a candidate for Minneapolis Aquatennial Queen, and at the pageant she was introduced by Cedric Adams to Bob Hope, receiving a kiss on the cheek from Hope!

It was when she was working at WCCO that she met Douglas Dahl, who would become the love of her life. They were married on October 25, 1952. They were married for 54 years, until Douglas' death in 2006. They welcomed a daughter, Dana, on December 23, 1953. Her husband's career with the Rexall Drug Company involved numerous job transfers around the country. During those years, Doreen was a devoted homemaker, and an excellent cook and baker. She didn't even buy a loaf of bread, rolls, or cookies, until well

into their retirement years. Her wonderful baking was loved and appreciated by many! She and Douglas were always very active in their churches, which were very important to them. They did finally retire to Tampa, Florida, where they lived for many years. After her husband passed away in 2006, Doreen remained in her home there, until 2018. At that time, she moved up to Cincinnati to be near her daughter and her family.

Doreen is survived by her daughter, Dana Johnson (Dahl) and her son-in-law Scott Johnson; granddaughter Kim (Kevin) Alford; grandson Mark (Kiko) Johnson; great-grandchildren Kelsie Alford, Kylie Alford, Bodee Johnson, and Cora Johnson. She also leaves behind a sister, Phyllis Elmquist, and many nieces and nephews. She is predeceased by her loving husband Douglas; her parents; her sisters, Lola Thorson and Audrey Olson; brothers-in-law Tenus Thorson, P. Kenneth Olson, and Alton Elmquist; and nephew Keith Olson.

In lieu of flowers, donations in Doreen's memory can be made to Grace Lutheran Church 3714 Linebaugh Ave, Tampa Florida 33618; Shriner's Hospitals for Children; and the National Down Syndrome Society.

Funeral services will be held on Thursday, June 6, 2024 at 11:00 A. M. at Roble Funeral Home in Spring Grove, MN

Pastor Dana Jackson will officiate.

Burial will be in Trinity Lutheran Cemetery.

Roble funeral home is assisting the family with arrangements.

# Cemetery Details

## Trinity Lutheran Cemetery

Hwy 44  
Spring Grove, MN 55974

# Previous Events

## Service

JUN 6. 11:00 AM (CT)

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