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Wausau - June D. (Oreck) McCormick was born Oct. 22, 1921 and died Jan. 9, 2022 at Aspirus Hospice House in Wausau with daughters Patty and Debbie at her side. Tuesday she was playing cribbage with Debbie, and she was still walking a few laps with her walker. She was a stickler for exercise all of her life and an inspiration to all of us. She got excellent care at Hospice House for the 14 months she was there. The staff loved her and were sad to say goodbye. They were so supportive and caring right up until the end. We are very grateful for the care she received. Her room faced the woods and she was excited to see daily wildlife right outside of her window, including deer, fox, raccoon, turkeys, many birds and squirrels.

June grew up in Duluth, Minnesota and moved to San Francisco as a young woman. She met her husband, Mac, who was stationed there before fighting in the South Pacific during WWII. After the war, they married and moved to Wausau where they raised four children. She worked as an accountant at WAOW TV and then at Employers Mutual Insurance, making many long-lasting friendships. Mom has touched so many lives with her positive, loving and caring attitude.

She loved getting together with her many friends to play bridge, go out for fish fries, go to the Grand Theater, and attend concerts in Marathon Park. Her hobbies included daily crosswords and sudoku, Rummikub, cribbage, and jigsaw puzzles. She was an avid reader and loved gardening, exercising, fishing, knitting and traveling. She loved watching the Packers play. June corresponded with a wide circle of friends and family members.

Preceded in death by her parents, Percy Oreck and Minnie Winer Oreck, her devoted husband of thirty-nine years, Ralph (Bud, Mac) McCormick, and her brother Stanley (Fern) Oreck.

She is survived by her children, Barbara (Tom) Matsick, of Phillips, WI, Michael McCormick (Rosanne Aversa), of Boston, MA, Patricia McCormick (Don Vincent), of Madison, WI, and Debra McCormick (Sandy Synkelma), of Wausau, WI.

She leaves five grandchildren, Greg Vallalunga, Danielle Matsick, Heather (Brian) Oates, Alexander McCormick (Sarah Browning) and Aaron McCormick (Elaine Strunk). She also leaves six great grandchildren: Elliot and Trace Matsick, Madeleine, Neva, Adalia and Elijah Oates, Nora June Strunk-McCormick, and one great-great granddaughter, Aubrey Chaffee, as well as many nieces and nephews.

June was the center of our family holding us all together with her loving kindness, good will, and positive attitude about life. She never forgot a birthday or anniversary and kept us current with family news. She will be missed more than words can express. Everyone who knew June loved her. There will be a memorial service at a future date. Brainard Funeral Home, Wausau Chapel, is assisting the family with arrangements. To share condolences and memories with the family, please visit www.brainardfuneral.com.

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