



## Joan Wentworth Nason

September 17, 2017

Joan Wentworth Nason died peacefully at her home in Fox Point on September 17, 2017. Born August 22, 1932, she was predeceased by her parents David V. Nason and Ruth E. Nason. She is survived by her sister Mary Nason Young, nieces Cynthia Young Eberstadt (George) and Abigail Young Moses (Jonathan) and their families, all of New York City. Joan graduated from Milwaukee Downer Seminary, attended Bryn Mawr College and received a B.A. and M.A. from the University of Wisconsin. A long-time beloved teacher in the Milwaukee Public Schools, Joan met the challenges of introducing the joys of books and the love of reading to kindergarteners. This led to collecting children's books over the years, sometimes by well-known authors and fine editions, but more often just good stories, well illustrated. No child visited her home without walking out with a book to keep. She was a reader herself, classics, mysteries, biographies, art and photography books, and was always on the lookout for first editions or good reads for friends and family. She organized the first All Saints' Cathedral Book Sale in 1981, ran it for many years, and it continues to be Milwaukee's largest non-library book sale. In 1993 Joan joined the docent program of the Milwaukee Art Museum, rekindling earlier studies in art history. She actively participated in its exhibits and tours (especially to children), foreign trips, lectures and philanthropy, and remained involved until recently. She was smart, fun, generous, interesting and outrageous, and will be missed by her family, her dogs, and wide circle of friends. In her memory the family suggests gifts to the Milwaukee Art Museum

or a book in her name to a neighborhood school. Memorial service will be at 4:00 PM, Friday, October 13, 2017, at St. Mark's Episcopal Church, 2618 North Hackett Avenue, Milwaukee 53211. Service & Reception Info Memorial service will be at 4:00 PM, Friday, October 13, 2017, at St. Mark's Episcopal Church, 2618 North Hackett Avenue, Milwaukee 53211.

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“ *I'm so sorry for your loss. When I lost a loved one in death a few years ago the scriptures Ps. 34:18 and Revelation 21:3,4 really helped me and my family. I hope you can find comfort in these difficult times. My thoughts and prayers will be with you.*

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**Jenna** - October 13, 2017 at 12:00 AM