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June Taylor, 84, Medical Researcher, Cookbook Editor, Former Darien Resident

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June Irmiger Taylor, 84, of New Haven, and formerly of Chicago and Darien, passed away on Aug. 11.

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She was born to the late Robert Irmiger, a Chicago attorney, and the late Margaret Cusack Irmiger, a teacher and guidance counselor.

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Throughout her life, June was actively involved in the nonprofit sector. She worked with Father Louis Twomey of Loyola University New Orleans implementing job training programs during the 1960s civil rights movement and was later involved in fundraising for the non-profit Urban Gateways.

June was a medical researcher for the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, was an active member of the National Organization for Women and was also a docent at the Seattle Art Museum. As a young woman, June was the editor of the very popular cookbook, *The Fine Art of Chinese Cooking*.

— [an obituary](#) from *Edward Lawrence Funeral Home*

June was adored by her family and friends. Her memory will be cherished by her children, Macauley (Kimberly) Taylor of Short Hills, N.J.; Thomas Taylor of Chicago; Mary (Angelo) Coppolo of Norwalk; and John (Jennifer) Taylor of New Canaan.

June was predeceased by her beloved son, Robert Taylor. She was a loving grandmother to Alexandra, Jacqueline, Michael, Victoria, Macauley, John and William. June also leaves behind many beloved cousins and friends.

A memorial Mass will be held at 10 a.m., Saturday, Oct. 7, 2017 at the Assumption Catholic Church, 323 West Illinois St., Chicago.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Sisters of Mercy, 10024 South Central Park Avenue, Chicago, IL 60655, or to the Mother McAuley Liberal Arts High School, 3737 West 99th St, Chicago, IL 60655.