

# Minnesota Music Hall of Fame Inductee



## Lois V. Best Herman

### Inducted in 1993

Lois Verne Best was born in Courtney, Pennsylvania to Charles and Agnes Best. Both parents were amateur church singers, but Lois did not sing until she was a high school graduate. Her first job was playing piano at Warner Brothers Music demonstrating the “hit” songs of the day. Shortly thereafter the Lawrence Welk Band was in need for a female singer. Lawrence Welk and Jules Berman, first trumpet player and secretary of the corporation were impressed with Lois’s ability, she was hired and became the first “Champaign Lady” with the Lawrence Welk Band. Lois and Herman were married on August 15, 1938. Their performances lasted over 35 years. They were especially honored several years ago when 3M brought the entire Lawrence Welk Show to the Civic Center and Jules and Lois provided the dinner music.

