



Charlotte Sylvia Lawson

June 22, 1936 - November 28, 2025

Charlotte Sylvia Lawson (Matson)

Minneapolis, MN

Charlotte Lawson, age 89, passed away in her home on November 28, 2025, after a brief illness. Charlotte was born in St. Peter, Minnesota on June 22, 1936, lived in St. Peter, MN during her early childhood, then moved to the Twin Cities. She attended Minnetonka high school and graduated in 1954. She then attended the University of Minnesota and studied music. She married William Lawson in 1959 and in the following years bore five children. In the mid 1970's she returned to the University of Minnesota and studied pre-law. She was employed as a church organist for most of her adult life. She also did paralegal work and later created and ran a business writing deposition summaries for various law firms. She loved liturgical music, cooking, having dinners with her friends, taking care of her cat, and walking around Lake Harriet. Charlotte was preceded in death by her parents, Leonard and Elma Matson, former husband William Lawson, sister Deloris (Matson) Melby, son Mark Lawson, daughter in-law Tammy Lawson, and friend Maurice Fagin. She is survived by her sister Pauline Smith, sons Steven Lawson, David (Valerie) Lawson, John (Robin Smothers) Lawson, and Robert (Barbara Sporlein) Lawson, grandchildren, Christopher, Nicholas, Justin, Rebecca, Matthew, Tony, Ian, William, Joseph, and Benjamin, along with many cousins, nieces, nephews, and friends. Mass of Christian Burial will be held Wednesday, December 10th at 11:00 AM with visitation starting at

10:00 AM until the time of Mass at St. Charles Borromeo Catholic Church,
2739 NE Stinson Blvd, St. Anthony Village, MN 55418. Memorials are
preferred to charities of your choice.

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC **10**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Church of St. Charles Borromeo
2739 Stinson Boulevard NE
St. Anthony, MN 55418

Mass of Christian Burial

DEC **10**. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

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“ *The Hoganson Girls purchased the Sweet Tranquility Basket for the family of Charlotte Sylvia Lawson.*



The Hoganson Girls - December 08, 2025 at 06:45 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Charlotte Sylvia Lawson.*



December 08, 2025 at 03:05 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Charlotte Sylvia Lawson.*



December 08, 2025 at 11:58 AM

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“ *Sarah, Renee, Tracy, Kim, Crystal, Janet planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Charlotte Sylvia Lawson.*

Sarah, Renee, Tracy, Kim, Crystal, Janet - December 08, 2025 at 11:58 AM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Charlotte Sylvia Lawson.*



December 05, 2025 at 11:11 AM



“ *I only met Charlotte recently, when I moved into the building on Minnehaha Parkway where she resided for thirty-some years. But over the course of the last several months, I had the great pleasure of making her acquaintance and really admired her for her accomplishments here as a long-term president of the condo's board. I also came to appreciate Charlotte's sense of humor, her considerable knowledge and her deep pride in her Scandinavian heritage. I'm going to miss her.
My sincere condolences to Charlotte's family.*

Nancy T Hall - December 04, 2025 at 02:36 PM