



Elaine J LaMotte

June 8, 1940 - May 3, 2026

Elaine J. LaMotte, age 85, passed away peacefully on May 3rd, 2026, surrounded by family following a short battle with cancer.

She was born in Crystal, MN to Katherine and Demeter Jacenko. She graduated from Robbinsdale High School, where she met her high school sweetheart Ron, her husband of 67 years.

They married a short time later and together they raised three children. She began volunteering at Forest Elementary School and eventually became a Paraprofessional, a position she loved for over 20 years.

Elaine's greatest joy was her family. She was blessed with four grandchildren and three great grandchildren. She was cut out for that role by helping care for them, baking cookies, doing crafts and spoiling them any way she could. She also enjoyed attending their school programs and sporting events.

In the summer, she enjoyed her flower garden and growing vegetables. She often gave away vegetables at their church where she also volunteered for

many years.

She was a fantastic cook and baker. She loved to host the holidays and celebrations.

In recent years, she developed an interest of watching professional sports on TV. She also enjoyed talking to neighbors and visiting with people out walking their dogs in front of their home.

Elaine is survived by her husband, Ron; her children, Steve (Kelly), Mike (Yvonne) and Kris (Mike); her grandchildren Brendan (Paige), Chase and Erin, and her great grandchildren, Hayden, Brantley and Wyatt.

She is preceded in death by her parents, Demeter and Katherine Jacenko, her eight half siblings, her baby boy, and most recently, her granddaughter, Madi. She will be forever loved and missed.

Funeral Services to be held on May 15, 2026 at 11:00 am, with a visitation at 10:00 am at St. James Lutheran Church located at 6700 46th PI N, Crystal, MN 55428.

Upcoming Events

Visitation

MAY 15. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

St. James Lutheran Church
6700 46th Place North
Crystal, MN 55428

Church Service

MAY 15. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

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“ Steve and Wanda Turner Nunnelly TN purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Elaine J LaMotte.



Steve and Wanda Turner Nunnelly TN - 7 hours ago

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“ Camp Onomia purchased the Simply Elegant Sp athiphyllum for the family of Elaine J LaMotte.



Camp Onomia - Yesterday at 11:26 AM