



Elaine Margaret (Carlson) Larson

November 22, 1946 - December 31, 2025

Elaine Margaret (Carlson) Larson of Columbia Heights, MN passed away on December 31, 2025 at peace surrounded by her children, following a two year battle with cancer.

Elaine was born to Clara and Ernest Carlson on November 22, 1946 and raised in Evansville, MN. Elaine had many adventures growing up on "the Island" with her siblings Colleen, Robert, Dorothy, Harry, Fred, Virginia (Gina), and Mary. Elaine moved to Minneapolis-St. Paul and married Gary Allen Larson in 1968. Elaine was a fixture in Columbia Heights where she lived for almost 50 years; she worked as a paraprofessional in the Columbia Heights School District, volunteered at the Church of the Immaculate Conception, and walked 4 miles a day around the Columbia Golf Course for the past 30 years. Elaine was a warm and generous person who loved to joke, had a joyful smile, and enjoyed a good Gophers game. Her greatest joys in life were raising her three children with Gary and being a lively grandma known as "Googa" to her five grandchildren.

Elaine was predeceased by her loving husband Gary; she is survived by her children John Larson and his wife Cathy Keenan, Eric Larson and his wife Megan, Andrea Maltese and her husband Adam, and grandchildren Reilly, Delia, Becca, Juliana, and Cecil. She will be greatly missed by her family and friends.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made in Elaine's memory to North Memorial Foundation (Hospice Program and Cancer Care Treatment Fund). Visitation 4-7 PM Thursday, January 8, 2026 at Washburn-McReavy Hillside Chapel, 2610 19th Ave NE, Mpls. Mass of Christian Burial 10:30 AM Friday, January 9, with visitation one hour prior at the Church of St. Pascal Baylon, 1757 Conway Street, St. Paul. Interment Hillside Cemetery.

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Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 8. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Hillside Chapel
2610 19th Avenue N.E.
Minneapolis, MN 55418

Visitation

JAN 9. 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM (CT)

St. Pascal Baylon Catholic Church
1757 Conway Street
Saint Paul, MN 55106

Mass of Christian Burial

JAN 9. 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

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“ *I always remember Elaine as having a bright bubbly smile and a great sense of humor. Alot of us will miss that!* ”

Bruce K. Strom - January 09 at 07:48 PM