



Elaine Nancy Salitros

June 1, 1929 - December 17, 2018

Elaine Nancy (Lassen) Salitros was born into a family of 12 brothers and sisters in Stillwater, MN on June 1, 1929. Because of circumstances at home, all of the children were put into foster care at an early age in Red Wing, MN. Elaine spent most of her younger years on a farm in Winthrop with her oldest brother Warren in the loving care of foster parents Edwin and Mary Holberg. She had many stories to tell of life on the farm from milking cows, to chickens chasing her, to her love of fried eggs and baking cakes. The Lord sustained her through those younger years until she came to faith in Him. Elaine's faith and gentle spirit left an enduring impact on everyone fortunate enough to meet her. Elaine loved to sew, cook, bake, and shop, especially at Herbergers and local stores in Bloomington. She not only enjoyed shopping but she took time to build relationships with the clerks sharing her love of Jesus with them. Everyone felt comfortable sharing their life stories with mom and she would faithfully pray for those who did. So many times while shopping with mom, I would meet all of these wonderful people and they shared what a joy she was.

Elaine met Andy at the Prom Center and they were married January 31, 1959. The story goes that it was 31 below on that wonderful occasion. She will be dearly missed by Andy after almost 60 years of marriage. He was a good provider, caregiver and husband and father. She is survived by her sister Beverly Follett, children Steve (Rita) Salitros and Marianne (Timothy) Whitaker, grandchildren Emily and Matthew Whitaker, grand-dog Keiko and

grand-cat Willie, nephews and nieces as well as many dear friends. We want to thank all of you for being a part of mom's life as well as ours. We especially want to thank her wonderful aides at the Woodbury Senior Living Center for loving on mom.

Cemetery Details

Fort Snelling National Cemetery

7601 34th Avenue South
Minneapolis, MN 55450

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 27. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Oxboro Evangelical Free Church
9431 Nicollet Avenue South
Bloomington, MN 55420

Church Service

DEC 27. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Jan, David and Doug Lassen purchased the Tender Tribute for the family of Elaine Nancy Salitros.* ”



Jan, David and Doug Lassen - December 26, 2018 at 02:22 PM

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“ Dear Andy, Marianne, Steve & families,
Elaine and I came to the Lord about the same time, shared it with Dee, and Dee told us about the other. We both knew what the other had experienced. Elaine called me one day and started off by saying, "I came to the Lord by listening to the Back to the Bible Broadcast". We were forever "sisters in the Lord". What a blessing - we prayed together, shopped together, cooked for each other, and encouraged each other. Since neither of us had extended family to gather on holidays we were blessed to be able to gather our families together. She was a good cook and set a beautiful table(I learned this from her).

She had a gift of talking to strangers, hearing their complaints and telling them God loved them! She shared with her caregivers, and supplied them with Bibles. She cared about where people spent eternity and wanted to share with them how to know the Lord Jesus so they could go to heaven too. She has been in so much pain for so long (I prayed almost daily for her & Andy for the past several months) so I'm praising the Lord she is now with Him where there is no pain.

I know these past 2 + yrs have been hard, and I applaud Marianne and Steve & families for the care they have extended for their mom and dad. I pray God will give comfort, strength and grace during this time of grief and loss to you and your loved ones.

My great loss too, for a very dear friend. Lovingly in Christ Phyllis (Speer) Nelson

Phyllis Nelson - December 25, 2018 at 03:40 PM

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“ *Andy, Steve & Marianne & families:*

I am so sorry for your loss. Elaine was such a sweet lady. My mom & Elaine were good friends during my childhood, and I remember Elaine's hospitality and all the fun times from my childhood with the Salitros family - from Christmas celebrated together, the annual trip to the cabin, and many sleepovers. Elaine was always a caring and kind person.

May your good memories carry you through this sad time, and may your hope for the future give you peace.

Linda Speer Nelson

LINDA NELSON - December 22, 2018 at 09:02 PM