



## Eleanor E. Klingman

December 5, 2012

Klingman, Eleanor Elaine age 84, of Minneapolis, passed away on Wednesday, December 5, 2012, at HCMC. This was the 15th anniversary of her father's death. Eleanor was born on Friday, April 13, 1928, in Kingston Twp, Meeker Co, MN to Scandinavian descent farmers Archie and Eleanor Erickson. As she shared her first name with her mother, she often went by "Elaine." Elaine was preceded in death by her parents and brothers-in-law Ronald Johnson and Donald Moen. She is survived by her devoted husband Donald Lee Klingman; sons Jan Donald Klingman (Belinda), Lee Philip Klingman; daughter Dawn Eleanor Klingman; honorary daughter Dana Elizabeth Rohrer; grandchildren Crystal, Amy, Ryan, Samantha, Heidi; great-grandchildren Brayden, Madilynn, MaKenna, Ryder; and sisters Elois Johnson, Geraldine Moen, and Linda Jenson (Sidney). Elaine attended District 84's one room schoolhouse in Forest City Twp and graduated from Litchfield High School in 1946. She then attended the Saint Cloud Beauty College. She worked for a short spell in a beauty shop in Eden Valley, MN. Did housekeeping in Saint Cloud, MN. Did office work at Donaldson's Department Store in downtown Mpls (where she met her future husband in 1951), Farmers Insurance, and Brooks Upholstering Firm until her family started. Elaine and Donald were married January 27, 1957. Elaine was a devoted wife and mother. Elaine and Donald became foster parents after the birth of Jan (JD) until their daughter Dawn arrived. Elaine did licensed child day care from 1976 to 1985. She was always quite petite; only breaking 100 lbs in her ninth month

of carrying JD. She only reached 108 lbs. Though often called a "peanut", she was feisty and could stand up with the best of them. Memorial service 11:00 AM Saturday, December 15, 2012, at Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church, 128 West 33rd St., Mpls. Gathering at the church starting at 10:00 AM. Graveside service 1:30 PM at Lakewood Cemetery. [www.Washburn-McReavy.com](http://www.Washburn-McReavy.com)  
Nokomis Park Chapel 612-721-1651

# Previous Events

## Visitation

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

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## Service

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