



## Esther Marie Flodin

December 16, 1934 - February 5, 2025

Esther Marie Flodin

1934 - 2025

Esther Marie (Vandal) Flodin, 90, passed away after a decades long battle with Alzheimer's disease on Feb. 5, 2025. She was born Dec. 16, 1934 on the family farm in Rolla, ND.

In addition to her parents, Esther is preceded in death by her devoted husband Marvin "Swede" Flodin, three brothers and many other relatives and friends. They are all welcoming her into heaven with open arms.

She is survived by her son Tim (Sandy) Flodin and daughter Kim (Doug) Chambers; Andrea Flodin; grandchildren Tim (Melanie) Flodin, Bryan (Sarah) Chambers, Denise (Justin) Lecher, Scott Flodin, Kelly (Alex) Kocken, Keith (Abby) Flodin; and great grandchildren Braeden, Gwyndolyn, Peyton, Gavin, Kellyn, Brynn, Linden, Oakley, Gibson, Fulton and Charlotte, and countless loving family members.

On Feb. 11, 1956, Esther married the love of her life, Swede, spending most of their lives raising their family in Bloomington, MN. In their more than 60 years together, they had many wonderful life experiences and created lifelong memories. Among them included owning and hosting family at their cabin on

Lake Minnewaska in Starbuck, MN, snowbirding to escape many Minnesota winters in Cape Coral, FL and exploring the world leading group travel tours.

Esther will be remembered for her giving heart, love for her family and eternal optimism. For over 25 years she selflessly worked as a special education paraprofessional and loved those children as her own. And Esther never let a loved one's birthday pass without singing to them, or leave the house without an "I love you" sign language wave.

The family would like to thank the incredible staff at The Legacy of Farmington and Minnesota Hospice for their care of Esther in her final years of life. It has warmed our hearts.

A funeral service will be held in Esther's honor on Saturday, Feb. 22, 2025 at 12:00 p.m. at Lord of Life Lutheran Church, 16200 Dodd Lane, Lakeville, MN 55044. A visitation will be held one hour prior to the service.

Even in death, Esther will be helping others by donating her brain and other organs to the National Disease Research Interchange (NDRI) to further study and understand Alzheimer's disease - a condition that impacts so many families. In lieu of flowers, please consider donations to the Alzheimer's Association at [https://act.alz.org/site/Donation2?df\\_id=51079&51079.donation=form1&mfc\\_pref=T&utm\\_source=bing&utm\\_medium=paidsearch&utm\\_campaign=giving\\_bing&msclkid=e1494bcc228b19fe6b302c692cf73633](https://act.alz.org/site/Donation2?df_id=51079&51079.donation=form1&mfc_pref=T&utm_source=bing&utm_medium=paidsearch&utm_campaign=giving_bing&msclkid=e1494bcc228b19fe6b302c692cf73633)

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB **22**. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

Lord of Life Lutheran Church  
16200 Dodd Lane  
Lakeville, MN 55044

## Memorial Service

FEB **22**. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (CT)

Lord of Life Lutheran Church  
16200 Dodd Lane  
Lakeville, MN 55044

# Tribute Wall

MV

“ My Aunt Esther was a very kind and loving soul, always. I will never forget the gatherings at the lake or the picnics in the pasture at the family farmstead. There were many warm moments we all shared with Esther and Swede. When I was a young teenager it was required for me to stay long periods in Minneapolis. Esther and Swede opened their home to both my mother and I for months at a time. It had to have been an inconvenience but you would never know it by Esther. She was sweet and welcoming the whole time we were there. Esther will be missed by many. She touched a lot of hearts during her lifetime. I love you Aunt Esther. You will live on in my heart forever.

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**Michael Vandal** - February 21, 2025 at 11:31 PM

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“ Annie Flodin and Nancy Snider purchased the Joyful Memory for the family of Esther Marie Flodin.



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**Annie Flodin and Nancy Snider** - February 19, 2025 at 08:04 PM

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“ Esther made a huge impact on my life. Always so caring, encouraging and patient. I worked with her in the Bloomington Schools Special services dept. she always encouraged me as a wife and mother! She shared so many fun and wonderful life events with me. She was like a work Mom to me! I'm so sorry for your loss of a precious Mom and grandma. Jon and I treasured Esther and Swede. Jon, my husband, provided care for them in a professional and caring way. May the memories of Esther remain your hearts forever. Her precious smile and hugs will be remembered forever. Sending care and sympathy.

Bonnie Moren 😊 - February 18, 2025 at 05:28 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Esther Marie Flodin.



February 18, 2025 at 11:20 AM

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“ Glad she shared time with me way back in our work days

Orvin Larson - February 15, 2025 at 11:23 AM

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“ There are some people you meet and never forget, Grandma Esther was one of them. Looked forward to every "Grand Day" that she would be attending. Love, caring and peace going out to her wonderful children and grandchildren whom I was fortunate enough to have touched my life.

Nancy Ireland - February 09, 2025 at 11:49 AM

KC

*Thank you Nancy. I think you have it backwards, you touched our lives!*

**Kim Chambers** - February 11, 2025 at 07:44 PM

CK

“ *My heart goes out to the Flodin Family. Esther and Swede were such a dear, sweet couple. So kind and full of appreciation for family and life. You are in my prayers for peace and comfort. So glad our paths met along life's journey at Highview Hills years ago!*



**Connie Kuehni** - February 08, 2025 at 12:08 PM

KC

*Thank you Connie. Mom and Dad enjoyed their time at Highview Hills so much!*

**Kim Chambers** - February 11, 2025 at 07:45 PM

KL

“ *Esther or better known as Miss America will always have a special place in my heart. She always made me smile and I looked forward to seeing her every time i worked. Not to mention she had THE BEST one liners ever! I will miss her dearly and I am honored to have known her.*

**K'Lee , LPN from Legacy** - February 06, 2025 at 08:59 PM

KC

*Thanks so much K'Lee! Mom always lit up with a big smile when you were around!*

**Kim Chambers** - February 11, 2025 at 07:47 PM



*Great lady.  
She will be missed*

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**greg gulsvig** - February 12, 2025 at 02:24 PM