



Eunice Helen Kronholm

April 10, 1927 - September 27, 2020

Age 93, gained Heaven on September 27, 2020.

Eunice was the youngest of seven children born to Gust & Marie (Gunilla) Peterson in Chisholm, Minnesota. She was a woman of great faith whose trust in God guided her life; who was committed to her family, friends, and church; and who believed God wanted her to use her talents to encourage others. It was her faith that sustained her through crises in her life and called her to share her extraordinary story of God's goodness. She attended Bethel College, earned her nursing degree from Mounds Midway School of Nursing, a BS from the University of Minnesota, and a MA in counseling and guidance from the University of Northern Colorado. Her professional career included positions as a nursing instructor and as a counselor. Her life took an unexpected turn in her 40s when she met Gunnar Kronholm whom she married in 1971 and became the newest member of a family with six adult children. She received requests from churches and Christian Women's Clubs to tell her compelling story of faith. Overcoming her initial reluctance, she determined that this was a unique ministry that she was called to do. Her testimony was an encouragement and inspiration to thousands who heard her. Always wanting to use the gifts God had given her, she remained active in retirement serving as a volunteer at her church, Presbyterian Homes, and other organizations.

She was preceded in death by Gunnar; her parents; her siblings, Esther, Eric, Elsie Adams, Everett "Keno," Ruth Berg, and Melvin; and great granddaughter

Kairi.

She is survived by her children and their spouses, John (Jan), Craig (Marcia), Linda, Sandra (William) Stapp, Margaret (Jerry) Jarka, and Mark (Sara) and her nine grandchildren and four great grandchildren. She was blessed with many lifelong friendships that she joyfully sustained, exemplified by Joyce Johannessen.

A private funeral will be held at Central Baptist Church, St. Paul. Live streaming of the service will be Sunday, October 4 at 2:00 p.m. at <https://www.centralbaptistchurch.com/>. Interment will be at the cemetery in Cook, Minnesota. Memorials preferred to Bethel University for the Peterson/Kronholm Scholarship Fund.

Tribute Wall

MT

“ Eunice was a wonderful friend and prayer warrior. She will be greatly missed!
Until we meet again.....

Mimi Thompson - October 04, 2020 at 12:00 AM

JJ

“ Dear Kronholm Family--I was a nursing instructor with Eunice at Fairview School of Nursing in Minneapolis. We developed a strong friendship and connected for many years over lunches. She was a true child of God and helped us with her witness in prayer, concern and love for many of our faculty. After her kidnapping, we slowly lost contact, but she was always in my memory and radar. It was Eunice who prayed and suggested I contact Gunnar when he was President of Drovers State Bank for me to ask him for a loan for \$4,000.00 to make a down payment on a Townhouse. He was so kind and helpful, I am still remembering the welcome and smile. It at that time was one of those 'daring first time experiences' that last a lifetime. I also remember she telling me about the challenges of a ready made family of 6 children. We, my husband & I attended the visitation for Gunnar.
I am so fortunate I read the paper early this Sunday and was able to Live Stream her Funeral Service. Mark and family you did a great job!! Thank you for sharing.
I pray for comfort and healing for all of you. Eunice is comfortable in her Heavenly Home. May she RIP. Julia Eszlinger Jensen

Julia Eszlinger Jensen - October 04, 2020 at 12:00 AM

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“ I never met Mrs. or Mr. Kronholm, but because of their generosity to my brother and myself in allowing us to get interest free college loans, we were able to attend and graduate from Bethel. We borrowed enough for one semester at a time, and worked over nights while attending Bethel to get it paid back in time for the next loan. It worked for us. I graduated debt free. Dick went on to be a social worker and probation officer. I also majored in social work and later became an RN and hospice nurse at North Memorial. I will forever be grateful for to them for their kindness. God bless their memories. Liz Ellgen Bethel 1970 Ps, 116:15

Elisabeth (Pettmasn) Ellgen - October 04, 2020 at 12:00 AM

JB

“ We were blessed by Eunice's friendship and support of Bethel's mission. Her example of trusting the Lord and sustaining friendships over decades were exemplary.

Jay Barnes - October 03, 2020 at 12:00 AM

RJ

“ We were blessed growing up in Chisholm Baptist together. Special times at Baptist Island on.IVermilion Sharing together our Faith in God enhanced our friendship. Isaiah 26:3 was her testimony. And blessed us . Sympathies to the Peterson and Kronholm families who were like family to us.

Roger and Gloria Johnson - October 03, 2020 at 12:00 AM

CW

“ Your Central family mourns you, but yiu heavenly family is rejoicing your home going. Rest in peace!

Caroline Wnuk-Smith - October 02, 2020 at 12:00 AM