



## Gladys Elizabeth Hemann

July 17, 1934 - December 6, 2023

Hemann, Gladys E

Age 89, of Eden Prairie, passed away peacefully, on 12/6/2023. Preceded in death by daughter Janis; son-in-law Jim Grossman; siblings Jerome Goergen, Dorothy Cummings (late Tom), Marvin Goergen and Kenneth Goergen; parents Isidore and Mary Goergen. Survived by her loving and caring husband of 68 years, Jim; children Mark (Sharon) Hemann, Chanhassen; Jody Grossman, Eden Prairie; Jan (John) St. Andrew, Eden Prairie; Jean (Matt) Schriener, North Oaks; sisters-in-law Mary Ann Goergen and Louise Goergen; 9 grandchildren and 5 great grandchildren.

Gladys Elizabeth Goergen was born July 17, 1934, in Mitchell County, IA, to Isidore and Mary Goergen. She grew up on their Iowa family farm that bordered Minnesota. She attended K-8th grade at St. John's Catholic school in Johnsburg, MN and high school at Adams High School, Adams MN. While in high school she played saxophone in the band, was a cheerleader and homecoming queen her senior year in 1952.

On June 7, 1955, Gladys married Jim Hemann, the year after waiting for Jim to return home from the Korean war. Gladys and Jim lived in Mason City, IA and Minneapolis, MN while Jim completed his college education. Gladys gave birth to five children. Daughter Janis passed early on in her life. Together

Gladys and Jim raised their four children in Waseca, MN, Clear Lake, IA and Fargo, ND, eventually settling as empty nesters in Eden Prairie, MN in 1984. Gladys was an employee for SuperValu (Hopkins division) for years, where she was valued for her strong work ethic. After retirement, Gladys found joy in a retail retirement job for 25 plus years at Dayton's/Marshall Fields/Macy's (Southdale).

Gladys loved entertaining. She brought energy and love to hosting parties, with tables set to perfection. Parties for grandkids' birthdays were never missed and always extra special. A gopher bowl game, an important Twins or Vikings game, or any special event meant Gladys was planning the party. Most memorable were the famous

Hemann Happy Hours where family and friends came early and stayed late on Friday night thanks to Gladys' hospitality.

Small in stature, all will remember Gladys for her enormous unconditional love for her family. Her love for Jim was constant and obvious to all. She was very involved with her grandchildren, always there to support them and their parents in their important life events.

Visitation at Pax Christi Catholic Community, the parish that Gladys called home since 1985, at 12100 Pioneer Trail, Eden Prairie, MN 55347, on December 28, 2023, from 9:00 am - 11:00 am. Mass of Christian Burial at 11:00 am with luncheon to follow. Private interment at Fort Snelling National Cemetery. Memorials preferred to Alzheimer's Association.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC **28**. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Pax Christi Catholic Church  
12100 Pioneer Trail  
Eden Prairie, MN 55347

## Mass of Christian Burial

DEC **28**. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

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“ I am so sorry for your loss Jan and family. I will always remember Coach at the Gopher games shaking her crooked finger at those boys. Love to all of you.

Brenda Denny - December 27, 2023 at 06:51 PM



“ Pink Potpourri Bouquet was purchased for the family of Gladys Elizabeth Hemann.



December 27, 2023 at 12:18 PM

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“ >Gladys has meant the world to our family since the day we met late in the 1970's in Fargo. Her loving, caring, energized personality was felt by all who knew her. Her smile and laughter were infectious. My family and I are blessed to have been considered her family too. We cherish all the wonderful memories. She will be profoundly missed!

Love to you Jim, Mark, Jody, Jan, Jean and the entire Hemann Clan

Sue Riedel

Susan Riedel - December 14, 2023 at 12:17 PM

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“ Love, Kathy and Chuck Warren planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Gladys Elizabeth Hemann.

Love, Kathy and Chuck Warren - December 12, 2023 at 03:50 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Gladys Elizabeth Hemann.*



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December 12, 2023 at 03:50 PM



“ *God’s blessings and comforts to the Hemann family. I have wonderful memories of your mother.*  
*David Peters*

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**David Peters** - December 12, 2023 at 08:43 AM



“ *I picture your mom laughing enjoying life. I also remember her dancing with your dad . They were great dancers!!! I was so impressed. Hugs to you all.*  
*Leigh*

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**leigh A Woodburn** - December 10, 2023 at 10:56 AM