



Gladys Lila Nordstrom

August 4, 1951 - February 4, 2026

In Loving Memory of Gladys Lila (Nosco) Nordstrom

Celebrating the Life and Legacy of a cherished Wife, Mother, Grandmother, Sister, and Friend.

Gladys Lila (Nosco) Nordstrom, age 74, of Cottage Grove, passed away peacefully in the early hours of Wednesday, February 4, 2026, at the Norris Square Senior Living facility. Her warmth, generosity, and unwavering devotion to family and friends leave an indelible mark on all who knew her.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Rudolph and Esther Nosco, and son Chad Nordstrom. She is survived by her sisters Rosalyn Nosco and Darlene Savage; devoted husband of 53 years, Kenneth Nordstrom; three children, Eric (Lisa), Gina (Jon Otto), and Tami Nordstrom; daughter-in-law Mary Helen Nordstrom; and three grandchildren, Caleb, Leah, and Sarah Nordstrom. Gladys worked many years at home as a travel agent and later at Children's Hospital in St. Paul as a Health Unit Coordinator. A celebration of Gladys' life and legacy will be held on May 30 at the Norris Square Senior Living facility from noon to 3:00 pm. The address is 6997 80th St. So. in Cottage Grove, MN. Gladys was cremated and her ashes will be spread as she directed. Those wishing to honor Gladys' memory may direct memorials to the St. Jude Children's Research Hospital.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

MAY 30. 12:00 PM - 3:00 PM (CT)

Norris Square
6997 80th St S
Cottage Grove, MN 55016

Tribute Wall



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Gladys Lila Nordstrom.* ”



May 27 at 05:16 PM



“ *Please accept our most sincere sympathy to all the family during this difficult time. Love to you all.* ”
Rick and Margaret



Margaret Irwin - February 19 at 05:27 AM

MI

“ Gladys was truly a beautiful and wonderful friend of 60 years this year. I have the fondest memories. We met the first day of high school our sophomore year. went to first class and there she was she smiled and spoke. Next class she was there again and then the 3rd one. I knew we were destined to be friends forever and of course we were. She smiled that beautiful smile she always had. We worked together as car hops at white castle, then a nursing home. We decided to take a trip by greyhound bus to see Mount Rushmore in South Dakota and what fun we had. We always had to go to Porkys in her cute blue Camaro and of course white castle our favorite places. I remember saying crazy things to her and always made her laugh. I loved making her laugh. Gladys and Ken were are maid of honor and best man at our wedding and it will be 55 years this year. I know she is so happy seeing Chad and her parents. Family was everything to her. Her children, grandchildren, Ken, and friends I also see her in a field with as many dogs as there could be and she will be loving and hugging each one of them. She so much loved dogs. She loved working as a travel agent and made sure each person's trip was perfect. She wanted them to all be happy. Well we will be seeing each other one day and I will give you the biggest hug but remember you will always be in my heart.
Rick and Margaret

Margaret Irwin - February 19 at 05:08 AM

DA

“ Gladys always had a soft spot for children. When we were on a Solomon Island cruise last year, we stopped at several islands where living conditions were not ideal. I had sent pictures by text to Gladys and she wanted to send money to buy toys for the kids living there so they would have something to play with. Since we were on a tight schedule, that was not possible. However, I'm not even sure they had toy stores available...it was a generous offer anyway.

Darlene - February 17 at 03:41 PM



“ *Rosalyn Nosco lit a candle in memory of Gladys Lila Nordstrom* ”



Rosalyn Nosco - February 16 at 11:23 AM



She oncc wanted a yellow VW “bug”

Rosalyn Nosco - February 16 at 02:22 PM



“ *Gladys loved Hawaii and was a thorough travel agent specializing in Hawaii* ”

Rosalyn Nosco - February 16 at 11:22 AM