



## Harriet Elaine Petersen

May 11, 1952 - May 30, 2026

Elaine Harriet Petersen, passed away on May 30, 2026, at the age of 74, in Minneapolis

Minnesota residing in St. Francis, Minnesota, Her passing ultimately due to congestive heart

failure. Born on May 11, 1952, in Peoria, Illinois, Elaine lived a life defined by warmth,

simplicity, and an unwavering devotion to the people she loved.

Elaine was, above all else, a loving wife and mother. She dedicated her life to her family as a

homemaker, raising five children and eventually becoming a proud grandmother to twenty

one grandchildren. She was the constant voice of reason in her family, the steady hand

everyone could count on. Those who knew her would tell you she was a simple, honest soul

and a friend to everyone she met. She had a deep love for children and could often be found

in the kitchen, cooking for anyone lucky enough to gather around her table.

When she wasn't caring for others, Elaine enjoyed sewing, working crossword puzzles,  
Gardening and playing board games. She had a soft heart for animals and was a familiar face at family gatherings, school concerts, and art programs in her community.

Elaine was preceded in death by her beloved husband, Terry Petersen, Mother Virginia, Father George, Brother David, Sister Barbara, Daughter in law Melinda and Grand Daughter Cali Jo Petersen. She is survived by her four sons, Michael, Jason, Jeremy, and Nicholas Petersen, and daughter Alana Gaines along with her twenty one cherished grandchildren.

Funeral service 11:00 AM Saturday June 13, 2026 at the Washburn - McReavy Coon Rapids Chapel with visitation from 10:00 AM to 11:00 AM at the chapel. Burial services will follow at West Oak Grove Cemetery from 12:00 to 1:00 p.m.

"The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want. He makes me lie down in green pastures. He leads me beside still waters. He restores my soul. He leads me in paths of righteousness for His name's sake. Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for You are with me; Your rod and Your staff, they comfort me. You prepare a table

before me in the presence of my enemies. You anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord forever" Amen

# Cemetery Details

## West Oak Grove Cemetery

Rum River Blvd & 208th Ave NW  
Oak Grove, MN 55303

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUN 13. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Coon Rapids Chapel  
1827 Coon Rapids Blvd.  
Coon Rapids, MN 55433

## Funeral Service

JUN 13. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

Coon Rapids Chapel  
1827 Coon Rapids Blvd.  
Coon Rapids, MN 55433

## Graveside Service

JUN 13. 12:30 PM - 1:00 PM (CT)

West Oak Grove Cemetery  
Rum River Blvd & 208th Ave NW  
Oak Grove, MN 55303



# Tribute Wall



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Harriet Elaine Petersen.*



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“ *On behalf of the family of James D Neff we extend our deepest sympathies for the loss of Elaine. Sadly we never got the chance to meet Elaine, Barb or Dave. Through the years the thought was also in our minds that half siblings were out there. My search came too late. Elaine's obituary tells of the wonderful life she lived. May her memory be a constant reminder of wonderful times.*

*Love and prayers,*

*John and Candie Neff and family*

*Jim and Janet Neff and family*

*Robert Neff (Marilyn) and family*

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