



Lois Caroline Leisz

July 1, 1930 - October 13, 2025

Lois C. Leisz (Dahl, Dilley)

~ A Content Lady ~

Lois died a happy and holy death on Oct. 13, 2025, with devoted family and friends present, down to her infant great-grandson.

She was born July 1, 1930 in St. Paul, MN, to Guy William Dilley and Laurette Agnes Clementson. Guy was a WWI veteran and protector of little Lois and big sister Lola. Laurette was devoted and artistic in all things home-making, especially her yarncraft, small metal, and stuffed animal creations.

Lois attended Wilson Public School in St. Paul, skipping a grade in her early years because she was one sharp cookie.

She married Leslie Andrew Dahl of Plentywood, MT, and the Dahl's raised their children in the Mac-Grove area of St. Paul. Lois also had a career, advancing to become the coordinator of the adoption unit for the State of Minnesota. She had mastery of shorthand and was left handed.

Lois loved cribbage, cards, and board games of all sorts. She was a wiz at crossword puzzles, but also at this puzzle we call Life. Her house was where the neighborhood children wanted to be. If asked, she had sound, easy-to-

remember advice for any problem.

Sadly, she became a widow, and when Les died, Lois raised her teenagers alone, branching into new interests and reviving old ones. A particular favorite was square dancing, and it was there that she met Eugene Robert Leisz, a veteran of the Korean War, of New Richmond, WI. "Bob" and Lois later married, he becoming stepdad to Lois' now-young-adult children, and later, a grandfather and great-grandfather to the little ones. Lois and Bob enjoyed years of extensive travel (and square dancing), also settling a second home in Mesa, AZ, and forging new friendships there.

Lois was skilled at knitting and crochet, like her mother. She fashioned wearables, wool-felted purses and intricate afghans. She was both modest and hilarious; loved conversing with friends, family, and really anyone, yet equally content to be on her own. She kept a running tally of incidental kindnesses to her, eager to express her gratitude and joy in the good that people, often strangers, brought to her life. And by extension, to God, Who oversees all.

Especially, Lois was valiant: in living, and in dying. Loving her people with great generosity, with her whole heart, a gentle, welcoming soul.

Lois died on the same date, Oct 13, as husband Leslie Dahl, forty-eight years apart.

Lois was preceded in death by father Guy Dilley and mother Laurette Clementson (later Runyon); and husbands Leslie Dahl, and Robert Leisz.

She is survived by sister Lola Glendenning; children Andrew, Thomas, and Donna Dahl; grandchildren Dylan (Kayla), Anna, Leah, Melanie, Mary, Genevieve, and Damien Fellows; great-grandchildren Veronica, Philippa,

Cordelia, Basil, and Cyril Fellows; many nieces, nephews, and grand-nieces and nephews; and dear friends of all generations.

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Visitation for Lois: Thursday, Oct. 23, 9:30am-11:30am, at Washburn-Mcreavy Chapel, 515 Hwy 96 West, Shoreview, MN, 55126 ~ 651-482-7606.

Burial immediately following at Ft. Snelling National Cemetery at 1pm. We will leave the funeral home by noon with an escort and procession to Ft. Snelling.

Cemetery Details

Fort Snelling National Cemetery

7601 34th Avenue South
Minneapolis, MN 55450

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **23**. 9:30 AM - 11:30 AM (CT)

Shoreview Chapel
515 Highway 96 West
Shoreview, MN 55126

Graveside Service

OCT **23**. 1:00 PM - 1:30 PM (CT)

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7601 34th Avenue South
Minneapolis, MN 55450

Tribute Wall



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of Lois Caroline Leisz.



October 22, 2025 at 04:49 PM



“ Joan, Brent, Betsy & Tina. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Lois Caroline Leisz.

Joan, Brent, Betsy & Tina. - October 22, 2025 at 04:49 PM



“ *Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet* was purchased for the family of Lois Caroline Leisz.



October 22, 2025 at 09:21 AM



“ *Love, Geri Becker and Lynn & Steve Jones* purchased the *Arrive in Style* for the family of Lois Caroline Leisz.



Love, Geri Becker and Lynn & Steve Jones - October 21, 2025 at 10:01 AM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Lois Caroline Leisz.*



October 20, 2025 at 03:13 PM



“ *Love, Lola and Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Lois Caroline Leisz.*

Love, Lola and Family - October 20, 2025 at 03:13 PM