



## Pauline Elsie Peterson

April 29, 1943 - March 1, 2025

Pauline Elise Peterson was born April 29th, 1943 in Jefferson, IA. Pauline was the third of three children born to first generation Swedish-American parents, G. Albin and Delia (Gustafson) Peterson. She was blessed to be born into a Christian home and enjoyed growing up on a farm near Boxholm, IA. She graduated as valedictorian of Boxholm High School in 1962, and like her sister went on to a business school in Des Moines, IA. She also followed her sister Marge to Minneapolis, MN. Pauline worked in accounting at Land O'Lakes in Arden Hills for 36 years, commuting from Bloomington with ease. Her love for driving extended to visiting friends, reflecting her others-focused nature—matched only by her ferocious knitting. Her mind stayed razor-sharp to the end, sparking quick witted banter and forging new friendships with a warm smile. She was an active member of Wooddale Church in Eden Prairie, where she sang in the choir for many years. After retiring from Land O' Lakes, she resided at Sunrise Assisted Living in Golden Valley—just a few blocks from her sister Marge and Jerald's home—before moving to Meadow Ridge. She'll be remembered as the societal glue and the unofficial mayor—Resident Ambassador—of both facilities, where she warmly welcomed everyone, served as the community's "memory bank," and kept a watchful eye on people's comings and goings from her post by the front door. She became quite adept at texting despite her involuntary shakiness and was a whiz at crossword puzzles and word searches. Pauline was eternally thankful for God's grace and watchful care over her in all matters of life, even the small

things that we often take for granted. In her last year here on earth she spoke often about the rapture and her desire for all of us to go home together and be with Jesus. On March 1st, with her eyes set on Jesus and surrounded by family, Pauline peacefully met her Savior face to face. Preceded in death by parents, G. Albin and Delia Peterson; sister Margery (Jerald) Ryks. She will be greatly missed by her brother Ron (Delores) Peterson; Nephews and Nieces: Dean Peterson, Mark (Emily) Ryks, Julie (Jeff) Zigler and Brian (Layne) Ryks; 11 grandnephews and nieces—Megan, Thomas, Emma, Charles, Olivia, Josiah, Andrew, Micah, Isaiah, Abigail and Jeremiah—and countless friends. As she often said when departing “ I love you so, so, so, so much!”

Funeral service Saturday 3/8/25 3PM with visitation one hour prior to service at Glen Haven Chapel.

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Glen Haven Chapel 763-533-8643

5125 West Broadway, Crystal

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAR 8. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (CT)

Glen Haven Chapel  
5125 West Broadway  
Crystal, MN 55429

## Memorial Service

MAR 8. 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall



“ Washburn-McReavy Funeral Chapels created a Memorial Service for Pauline Elsie Peterson in memory of Pauline Elsie Peterson



Washburn-McReavy - March 03, 2025 at 03:35 PM

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*Pauline has been such a dear friend since high school. We encouraged each other by letters, cards, phone and texts and an occasional precious visit through the years. We shared our remembrances and faith in our dear Savior. See you soon Pauline! May your sweet family and friends all feel the Lord's comfort and peace.*

Carol Sebring Siegler - March 07, 2025 at 12:03 PM

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“ Our family has known Pauline (Pete) a long time. She and I were roommates when she worked at Land O Lakes before I got married. We were active in Koinonia, served weekly meals for the mentoring program and enjoyed the weekend of canoeing in the Boundary Waters with the group and other activities. Her nephews Mark and Brian and their families were very important to her. Pauline showed her kindness with everyone as she shared her love for her Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

Carolyn and Del Fure - March 04, 2025 at 08:56 PM