



Rachel Lynn Eklund

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Rachel Lynn Eklund (Posthuma) of Shoreview, MN passed away on Thursday, April 23, 2026 at Regions Hospital peacefully with her son Eric by her side.

Rachel was born on May 25, 1949 in Le Mars, Iowa to parents Ralph and Margaret (Landman) Posthuma. Rachel attended school in Le Mars and graduated from the Le Mars Community High School in 1967.

Rachel was baptised and confirmed at the St. John's Lutheran Church in Le Mars, where she attended Sunday School and services.

Rachel attended the University of Minnesota in Minneapolis, earning both a Bachelor of Science Degree with high distinction, as well as a Certification as a Medical Technologist in 1971. She then began her career as a med tech at the University of Minnesota Hospitals, where she served in multiple roles over her 40+ year career.

While a student, Rachel met her future husband, Jerry Eklund. They were married November 11, 1972 in Anoka, MN.

In 1981, Rachel and Jerry were blessed with their only child, Eric.

Rachel was preceded in death by her parents, her husband Jerry and her brother Merlyn.

Rachel is survived by her son Eric Eklund, daughter-in-law Laura (Baumbach) Eklund, grandchildren Ellery and Anders Eklund, brothers Harold (Pat) Posthuma and Kerwin (Doris) Posthuma.

Visitation 4-7PM Tuesday May 5th at Washburn-McReavy Shoreview Chapel, 515 Hwy 96 W, Shoreview. Funeral service 11AM, visitation at 10AM Wednesday May 6th at Incarnation Lutheran Church, 4880 Hodgson Road, Shoreview.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 5. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Shoreview Chapel
515 Highway 96 West
Shoreview, MN 55126

Visitation

MAY 6. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Incarnation Lutheran Church
4880 Hodgson Road
Shoreview, MN 55126

Church Service

MAY 6. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

Incarnation Lutheran Church
4880 Hodgson Road
Shoreview, MN 55126

Tribute Wall

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“ Rachel was a warm and loving neighbor to our family for 14 years. She spoiled our boys with customized treat baskets for every holiday. Rachel was a talented poet & wrote beautiful cards. I will miss our talks. Our neighborhood will not be the same without her. Eric & family, we pray you feel God’s loving presence during this difficult time.

Lisa Buck - May 02 at 10:38 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Rachel Lynn Eklund.

May 01 at 10:31 PM



“ Basket of Memories was purchased for the family of Rachel Lynn Eklund.



May 01 at 10:31 PM

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“ We were high school friends and beyond. I was always in awe of her intelligence and learned to love her poetry. Rest in peace Rachel.
Your friend, Kathy

Kathy Moore - April 30 at 04:04 PM