



Rachel Ann Sumoso

October 20, 1952 - January 13, 2026

Rachel Ann Sumoso, 73 of Minneapolis, MN, passed away on January 13th, 2026 surrounded by loved ones.

Rachel was born on October 20, 1952, in Eveleth, Minnesota, to Frank Erjavec and Margaret Ann (Martin) Erjavec. She spent her early years in Fayal Township, MN, in the home her father, Frank, built. As the eldest of seven children, Rachel naturally became a caregiver and guiding presence in her family - a role her younger siblings lovingly recognized by calling her the "matriarch" sibling of the seven. From an early age, Rachel demonstrated a deep sense of responsibility, compassion, and steadiness that would continue throughout.

Rachel moved to Minneapolis in 1970, spent a period of time in California, and eventually returned to settle in Minneapolis, MN. Wherever she lived, she carried her Iron Range roots with pride, holding her identity as an Iron Ranger close to her heart.

Caring for others was not only Rachel's profession, but one of her many life callings. After studying healthcare and earning her associate's degree, she dedicated more than 35 years as a Certified Nursing Assistant. Rachel approached her work each day with patience, empathy, humor, and dignity, providing comfort to countless individuals during their most vulnerable

moments.

Rachel's calling to care was seen at its purest in the pride and joy she held as a mother, grandmother, sister, daughter, and friend. Rachel poured herself into her family, offering steady love, encouragement, and protection. She took immense pride in her daughters, step-sons, and grandchildren, supporting them with both tenderness and hope. The relationships she built within her family, friends, and community, were the center of her life and the source of her greatest joy.

Rachel was an avid reader and lifelong learner who delighted in celebrating others and making them feel seen and valued. She was also seen at her happiest: dancing and singing along to her eclectic and impressive record collection or on road trips Up North, casting from the dock at the lake while teaching her children and grandchildren how to fish, navigating the Minnesota State Fair each year with her Blue Ribbon Book in hand, traveling locally and abroad, thrifting, and the conversations shared over meals with her closest friends and family.

Rachel is survived by her children, Christine (William) Wrobel; Destiny (Arthur) VanBuren; Korto (Jason) Dixon; William Sumoso; and Prince Sumoso; her grandchildren, Cecilia Orlikowski, David Franklin, Mateo VanBuren, Veda Dixon, James Dixon, and Emery Sumoso; her great-grandchild, Brooks Connors; and a great-granddaughter on the way. She is also survived by her siblings, Michael (Debra) Erjavec, Kathryn Erjavec (John Rodorigo), Mary Erjavec, Amy (Joseph) Brazerol, and Emily (James) Lozinski, as well as many close friends, nieces, nephews, and extended family.

Rachel was preceded in death by her grandmother, Anna Legacy; her parents, Margaret Ann Erjavec and Frank Erjavec Jr.; her son, David Sumoso; her brother, Charles Erjavec; her niece, Anna Rodorigo; her close friend,

Patricia Parker; and her former husbands, Alexander Sumoso and Rowa Sherer. She was also preceded in death by multiple aunts, uncles, and cousins.

Rachel's legacy is one of compassion, laughter, service, and unconditional love. She will be deeply missed and forever remembered for all she gave to those in her life. As Rachel often loved to sing her favorite songs to her children - we say goodbye with cherished, everlasting love, through one of hers:

Just remember in the winter
Far beneath the bitter snows
Lies the seed that with the sun's love
In the spring becomes the rose

Visitation & Service: January 24th, 2026, 10:00AM
Washburn-McReavy Hillside Chapel
2610 19th Ave NE, Mpls, MN 55418

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN **24**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Hillside Chapel
2610 19th Avenue N.E.
Minneapolis, MN 55418

Memorial Service

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Tribute Wall



“ Washburn-McReavy Funeral Chapels created a Memorial service for Rachel Ann Sumoso in memory of Rachel Ann Sumoso



Washburn-McReavy - January 16 at 06:00 PM

CH

Rachael, you will be missed, I will not forget the special act of kindness Rachael shared with me at my Mother's funeral, I will forever remember it. RIP Rachael

Christine Zbosnik Huntoon - January 17 at 08:02 AM

AG

“ Annie Garnett purchased the Simply Elegant Spa thiphyllum for the family of Rachel Ann Sumoso.



Annie Garnett - January 24 at 09:34 AM

MA

“ Mariam A. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Rachel Ann Sumoso.

Mariam A. - January 23 at 01:43 PM

MQ

“ Marcy and Qu purchased the Treasured Lilies Spray for the family of Rachel Ann Sumoso.



Marcy and Qu - January 22 at 12:04 AM

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KB

“ Kim Boguta/Mithun lit a candle in memory of Rachel Ann Sumoso



Kim Boguta/Mithun - January 21 at 06:22 PM

LS

“ You will be missed Rachel! Losing you felt like a little bit more of my childhood gone. I will always cherish the memories. Everything from getting nightcrawlers in the backyard to you bringing all the neighborhood kids down to the river fishing. You trusting me to watch your precious little koko bear. I hope your family gets peace, knowing that you are watching over them. Rest in peace ❤️



Lisa Smith - January 16 at 07:29 PM

BM

“ All of my memories of Rachel involve her smiling. She invited everyone in with so much love and acceptance. She beamed with adoration for her loved ones and was so very proud of them. She had a kind light you just wanted to be around. She will be deeply missed. Her light lives on in those who knew her. ❤️

bobbi mayberry - January 16 at 06:35 PM