



## Sommer Elaine Callen

November 10, 2004 - March 14, 2023

Sommer Elaine Callen (affectionally known as Annie)

We are deeply devastated by the loss of our vibrant, happy, fun, and silly 18-year-old in a tragic accident. Her life was short but incredibly impactful. The entire room lit up when she walked in. Always had a smile and warm "Sommer hug" to greet you in the morning, afternoon, or evening. She was a creative, kind, and loving person. Sommer had a keen talent and curiosity for digital art, web design, and games. Her sense of humor and kindness will be remembered for a lifetime. She was a pure breath of fresh air and will be unbelievably missed by her family and friends.

Sommer is survived by her heartbroken parents, Kera and David Callen along with her siblings, Ireland and Selick Callen. She is also survived by her devoted grandmother (one of her best friends), Karen Sommer, her grandfather and step-grandmother, Frank and Cindy Sommer, her aunts, Kirsten Martelli (Domenic), Lisa Werth (Tim), and Linda Zylstra, and many others including cousins, great aunts and uncles who will miss her dearly.

Her last act of kindness and compassion is what she would have insisted - donating her organs for those with great need. She has already saved two lives with her precious gifts, with others likely in the coming weeks; certainly bringing those families exceedingly amounts of hope and joy. Infinitely curious,

Sommer would have found it fascinating to know her organs were working inside of others' bodies and that SHE saved their lives.

Our grief of losing this loving red-headed child is indescribable. We will cherish our memories and funny stories of her forever. We will try to live as she would have wanted us to - kind, caring, patient, and with an ability to stop and smell the roses. And above all, with happiness.

A heartfelt thanks to the doctors and nurses that compassionately cared for our daughter at Hennepin County Medical Center.

In lieu of flowers, we request contributions be made to [www.life-source.org](http://www.life-source.org) in Sommer's name.

Celebration of Sommer will be held Saturday, March 18 from 3-4:30 pm followed by a ceremony of remembrance at 4:30pm. Washburn-McReavy Funeral Home: 5000 West 50th and Highway 100 Edina, MN 55436, 952-920-3996

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAR 18. 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM (CT)

Edina Chapel  
5000 West 50th & Highway 100  
Edina, MN 55436

## Chapel Service

MAR 18. 4:30 PM - 5:30 PM (CT)

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Edina, MN 55436

# Tribute Wall

TE

“ I hope you know that people still think about you. I am going to carry your picture when I walk the stage in June because you deserve to graduate too.



Tessa - January 30 at 06:12 PM

LW

“ Sitting here thinking about the time Annie tried and tried to teach Auntie Nells how to play the Grannie game. She could not believe that I couldn't catch on. It was so easy for her. She NEVER got caught!! I kept getting caught by Grannie in every room I went to. She laughed and laughed in delight and disbelief from head to toe.

Lisa Werth - March 21, 2023 at 09:10 AM

H.

“ Sommer loved ice cream and ice cream trucks. A few summers ago she was keen to have an ice cream truck of her own. It was a delight discussing flavors that she would have or serve on her, very own, ice cream truck. We spent days, maybe even weeks, searching for ice cream trucks, looking at their color schemes, interior designs and set-ups ... There were many intriguing stories and funny recollections; however, the ice cream truck will forever live on as the sweetest time I had with her.

H.M. - March 18, 2023 at 12:39 PM

SE

“ Sommer's teachers and paras at Minnetonka High School will forever miss our "spicy little red head." Sommer had a way of filling our day with joy and and happiness. When some of our students heard of her passing, they wore yellow and orange to symbolize the sunshine and warmth she brought to our lives. She will forever be remembered and missed.

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**Stacey Edlavitch** - March 18, 2023 at 10:54 AM



“ Rose Remembrance was purchased for the family of Sommer Elaine Callen.



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March 18, 2023 at 12:21 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Sommer Elaine Callen.



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March 17, 2023 at 08:42 PM

LT

“ Dear Kera, David, and Family,

*Sommer brought so much joy, love, and laughter into each one of our lives every precious day that we had the honor of knowing her. We are so very grateful for the many gifts she brought into this world. She, and your family, will forever be in our hearts, thoughts, and prayers.*

*With Love,*

*The Teachers of Deephaven Academy*

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**Lori Theisen** - March 17, 2023 at 06:56 PM

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“ *With love, Deephaven Academy Teachers purchased the Fairest of All for the family of Sommer Elaine Callen.*



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**With love, Deephaven Academy Teachers** - March 17, 2023 at 06:52 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Sommer Elaine Callen.*



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March 17, 2023 at 04:30 PM



“ *Basket of Memories was purchased for the family of Sommer Elaine Callen.*



March 17, 2023 at 04:02 PM



“ *Jenny Dupont purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Sommer Elaine Callen.*



**Jenny Dupont** - March 17, 2023 at 03:11 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Sommer Elaine Callen.*



March 17, 2023 at 12:15 PM



“ *Gracious Lavender Basket was purchased for the family of Sommer Elaine Callen.*



March 17, 2023 at 12:05 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Sommer Elaine Callen.*



March 17, 2023 at 11:12 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Sommer Elaine Callen.*



March 16, 2023 at 10:50 PM



“ *Anonymous lit a candle in memory of Sommer Elaine Callen*



**Anonymous** - March 16, 2023 at 07:51 PM



“ *Everyone at Easton Country Day School loved Sommer. She filled our days with joy and laughter. Summer’s red hair was a beautiful representation of her fiery spirit. She loved science and loved to experiment with anything at her disposal. I am so proud to have known her.*

**Suellen Inwood and everyone at ECDS** - March 16, 2023 at 07:39 PM



“ *Gracious Lavender Basket was purchased for the family of Sommer Elaine Callen.*



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March 16, 2023 at 06:58 PM



“ *My deepest condolences to the Callen Family. Seeing the notes from various people who were touched by your wonderful daughter Sommer shows how wonderful her life and energy was and how she will continue to be part of so many people in memory and spirit.  
The Alegre Family*

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**daniel Alegre** - March 16, 2023 at 05:06 PM



“ *David and the Callen Family. I am so sorry to hear about your loss and am sending you deep deep love and prayers. Knowing that she has saved 2 lives already must be comforting that Sommer still lives on and is creating a bright future for those families. God bless.  
Hitesh and family*

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**Hitesh Patel** - March 16, 2023 at 01:49 PM



“ *Joyful Memory was purchased for the family of Sommer Elaine Callen.*



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March 16, 2023 at 01:36 PM



“ *Basket of Memories was purchased for the family of Sommer Elaine Callen.*



March 16, 2023 at 11:41 AM



“ *So sorry. This is just devastating news. Sending love to you and your family. Sue Causey, Racine, WI*

**sue causey** - March 16, 2023 at 05:22 AM



“ *Days of Sunshine Bouquet was purchased for the family of Sommer Elaine Callen.*



March 15, 2023 at 11:13 PM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Sommer Elaine Callen.*



March 15, 2023 at 11:11 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Sommer Elaine Callen.



March 15, 2023 at 10:40 PM



“ Our Sommer stories and memories of “our spitfire little red head” are endless and will be cherished forever. She brought laughter and smiles to our faces everyday.

With sympathy,

“Team Sommer”

Sommer’s teachers and paras from  
Minnetonka Middle School West



Reilly Woodruff - March 15, 2023 at 09:51 PM



“ Sommer's Teachers & Paras at MMW purchased the Basket Full of Wishes for the family of Sommer Elaine Callen.



Sommer's Teachers & Paras at MMW - March 15, 2023 at 09:42 PM



“ 2 files added to the album easton Country Day School



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**suellen Inwood** - March 15, 2023 at 09:15 PM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Sommer Elaine Callen.



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March 15, 2023 at 09:10 PM



“ Sweet Tranquility Basket was purchased for the family of Sommer Elaine Callen.



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March 15, 2023 at 07:35 PM