

You held my hand and said “good bye”
 Like a million times before
 One more hug and you turned around
 And walked slowly out the door
 And just like that, you were gone
 This had been our last Goodbye
 God spoke your name and called you home
 He gave you wings to fly.
 He took your hand and led you
 Beyond the Heavenly gates
 Where one day we will meet again
 Where so much love awaits
 If we had known when you walked away
 This would be our last goodbye
 Would we have held you tighter?
 Begged with God and pleaded “why”?
 You would have not allowed that
 You would have smiled and said “it’s time”
 You would have said “ you must carry on now..
 Beautiful family of mine.”
 You would have told us we were lucky
 For all the time we’ve had
 And said that tears are part of love
 And it’s ok to be sad..
 You would have said when we are missing you
 Pour a cup of coffee and sit awhile
 Gather all together
 And share a memory and a smile...
 For one day again we’ll gather
 When at God’s table we surround
 Just like we’ve never been apart
 With our loved ones all around
 It will be quite the reunion
 When He brings you home to me
 But until He says the time is right
 You know right where I’ll be
 I’ll be standing with our Savior
 Held in His embrace
 Until we all stand together
 In His Amazing Grace.

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Celebrating the Life of
Elaine Ann Anderson

May 16, 1931 ~ April 8, 2023
 Saturday, April 22, 2023 at 2:00 PM
 First Presbyterian Church of Ashby, Minnesota

Prelude
Processional Hymn “Amazing Grace” **Page 278**

Greeting
 Leader: The Lord be with you.
People: And also with you.

Prayer
Poem – Mona Slack
Special Music – “How Great Thou Art”
Scripture – Philippians 4:5 read by Mona Slack
Prayer of Illumination
Old Testament Lesson – Ecclesiastes 3:1-8
Psalm – Psalm 23
New Testament Lesson – 1 Peter 1:3-9
Gospel Lesson – John 14:1-6

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God!

Sermon Reverend Paul Snyder
Hymn of Response “The Old Rugged Cross” **Page 251**

Family Memories – Dallas Rylander
Special Music – “Leaning on the Everlasting Arms”
Pastoral Prayer

Lord’s Prayer
 Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

Commendation
Blessing
Recessional Hymn “In the Garden” **Page 349**

Music by Kris Williams, Lori Risbrudt, Dave Balgaard and Stan Balgaard

Spring Interment
 Pelican Lake Cemetery, Ashby Minnesota

Appreciation
 Elaine’s family is grateful for your attendance at this service. Your many expressions of kindness and love are deeply appreciated. Please join family and friends for lunch and fellowship following the service.

No local Thank You cards will be sent.

Glende-Nilson Funeral Home ~ Ashby ~ www.GlendeNilson.com

Remembering the Life....

Elaine Ann Anderson was born on May 16, 1931, at home in Erdahl Township, the daughter of Paul and Dora (Nelson) Olson. She attended the Ashby Public School and graduated in 1949.

Elaine and Robert Anderson were married October 12, 1950, in her parent's home in Ashby, MN. After their marriage they lived in Ashby. Elaine worked various jobs but her most important job was raising her five children. She was an active lifetime member of The First Presbyterian Church. She was a faithful servant of the Lord. You could stop at Grandma Elaine's anytime and enjoy coffee and her famous brownies and banana bread. She always found time to spoil her grandchildren and give hugs to everyone!

On Saturday, April 8, 2023, Elaine died at her home in Ashby at the age of ninety-one years.

Elaine is survived by her husband, Andy; four daughters, Bonnie (Jim) Blondeau, Gwyn (Jim) Risbrudt, Beatrice (Junior) Matson and Ramona Slack; sixteen grandchildren; fifty plus great-grandchildren, great-great grandchildren; sister-in-law, Dorothy Olson; and by numerous nieces and nephews and many friends.

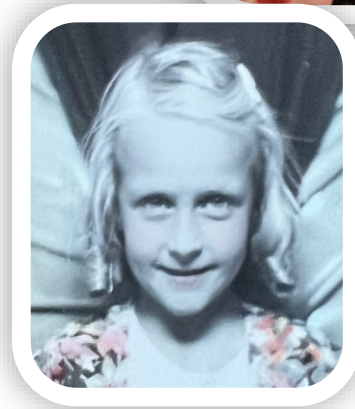
She was preceded in death by her son and his wife, Dennis and Marcia Anderson; son-in-law, Thomas Slack; grandson, Darin Slack; two brothers, Virgil (Lorraine) and Merl Olson; and sister Verla (Bob) Forbes.

Blessed be the Memory of Elaine Anderson



Rest In Peace
Grandma Laine
We Love You!

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