



Elsa Waschek

December 20, 1925 - July 11, 2024

Elsa Marion Waschek, 98, of Cedar Falls, died on Thursday, July 11, 2024, at The Deery Suites of the Western Home Communities.

Elsa was born on December 20, 1925, in Madison, MN, to Manfred and Alma (Molstre) Peterson. She graduated from Madison High School. After graduating with a bachelor's degree in medical technology from the University of Minnesota, she interned at Miller Hospital in St. Paul. On June 19, 1948, she was united in marriage to Arvid Waschek in Madison, MN. Elsa became a homemaker once they started their family. Not long after moving to Cedar Falls, she worked as a medical technician at the Hawkeye Chapter of the American Red Cross for 32 years. She was an active member of Nazareth Lutheran Church. Elsa celebrated her Norwegian heritage by joining the Sons of Norway and by teaching her granddaughters rosemaling and making lefse. Later, she became a member of PEO.

Elsa cherished her family. She taught her children the Gospel at a very early age and demonstrated God's love for them and her grandchildren throughout her long life.

Elsa is survived by her children, Robert (Cindy) Waschek of Cedar Falls, James (Cathy) Waschek of Iowa City, Ann (Chuck) Peterson of Cedar Falls, and a son-in-law, Mark Baldwin; twelve grandchildren: Matt Peterson, Randi

(Duez) Henderson, Abbie (Jacob) Anderson, Ben (Emily) Peterson, Ellie (Matt) Smith, Luke(Laura)Peterson, Jennifer Waschek, Liz (Daniel) Koenigsberg, Becca Waschek, Amy (Andy) Schmidt, Julie (Andrew) Thoreen, Joanna Waschek (Irakli Tatishvilli); and eighteen great-grandchildren.

Elsa was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, and daughter, Sue Baldwin.

Funeral services will be 11:00 a.m. on Friday, August 2, 2024, at Nazareth Lutheran Church in Cedar Falls. Visitation will be 9:00-11:00 a.m. prior to the service at the church. Interment at Fairview Cemetery.

Memorials may be directed to The Deery Suites at Western Home Communities.

Cemetery Details

Fairview Cemetery

12th and Division Streets
Cedar Falls, IA 50613
(319) 273-8628

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 2. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Nazareth Evangelical Lutheran Church
7401 University Ave
Cedar Falls, IA 50613-5025
(319) 266-7589

Funeral Service

AUG 2. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

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“ 1 file added to the album *Elsa Waschek Service*



Richardson - August 02, 2024 at 12:57 PM

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“ *I am thinking of you at this time as you have had to say good bye to a woman who God gave you to enjoy for so many years. I didn't know your mother/grandmother but I have known some of you and appreciate some qualities that must have come from her. May the Lord give you His peace in the months ahead. Alice Janssen*

Alice Janssen - July 31, 2024 at 11:21 PM

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“ *Connie P. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Elsa Waschek.*

Connie P. - July 30, 2024 at 12:09 PM



“ *Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Elsa Waschek.*



July 30, 2024 at 09:10 AM

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“ Our sympathy CF Schools Foundation &CAPS purchased the *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* for the family of Elsa Waschek.



Our sympathy CF Schools Foundation &CAPS - July 29, 2024
at 12:28 PM

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“ Susie and Chuck Grambart and Family purchased the *Fairest of All* for the family of Elsa Waschek.



Susie and Chuck Grambart and Family - July 26, 2024 at
09:51 AM

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“ Chris and Steve Williams planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Elsa Marion Waschek.

Chris and Steve Williams - July 20, 2024 at 04:42 PM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Elsa Waschek.



July 20, 2024 at 04:42 PM