

Celebrating the Life of
Gloria Ruth Erickson

MEMORIAL SERVICE

Friday, July 17, 2026-11:00 a.m.
Zion Lutheran Church
Pelican Rapids, Minnesota

CLERGY

Pastor Anna Monke-Gervais

SCRIPTURE READER

Nicole Burrows

REMEMBRANCES

Michelle Lembcke

MUSIC

Organist-Nadine Brown

— Congregational Hymns —

“Give Me Jesus”

“Amazing Grace”

Soloist-Tasha Erickson
“Still Waters (Psalm 23)”

Soloist-Ivan Olson
“Just A Closer Walk With Thee”

Soloist-Brayden Brezinka
“The Lord’s Prayer”

URN BEARERS

Glenn Erickson, Wayne Erickson
Al Sazama, Scott Duenow

HONORARY URN BEARERS

Darwin Erickson, Dean Erickson, Eric Erickson
Jeff Erickson, Mark Erickson, Paul Erickson, Todd Erickson

Gloria’s family gratefully acknowledges your attendance and many kind expressions of sympathy during their time of loss and invite you to join them for lunch and fellowship following the service.

The LORD is my *Shepherd*;
I shall not want.
He maketh me to
lie down in green pastures:
He leadeth me beside the still waters,
He restoreth my
soul:

He leadeth me in the paths of righteousness
for His name’s sake. Yea though I walk through the
valley of the shadow of death.

I will fear no evil:
for Thou art with me;
Thy rod and Thy staff they comfort me.

Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies

Thou anointest my head with oil; My cup runneth over

Surely goodness & mercy shall follow me
all the days of my life;

And I will dwell in the house
of the LORD *forever.*
- Psalm 23



REMEMBERING THE LIFE OF...

Gloria Ruth Erickson, 81, of Pelican Rapids, Minnesota, passed away peacefully at home on June 27, 2026.

Gloria was born on November 21, 1944, in Pelican Rapids, Minnesota, to Eddie and Danah (Anderson) Erickson. She attended country school before graduating from Lake Park High School with the Class of 1962.

Gloria married Robert Wiedewitsch in 1965, to which two children were born, Shane and Dawn. They later divorced.

Throughout her life, Gloria was known for her strong work ethic and caring heart. She worked in local bakeries, at the nursing homes in Frazee and Pelican Rapids, at the turkey processing plants in Frazee, Detroit Lakes, and Pelican Rapids, and later at the Cornfield Cafe and Solinger's Resort. Whatever the job, Gloria took pride in her work and enjoyed the friendships she made along the way.

Gloria truly embraced one of the modern day heroes of her youth's philosophy that "a stranger is just a friend I haven't met yet". Gloria could strike up a conversation with anyone. She loved making people laugh, sharing one of her many jokes, checking in on family and friends, and making sure those around her knew they were loved. Whether she was delivering homemade fudge or simply stopping by to visit, Gloria had a remarkable way of brightening someone's day. Her faith in God was the foundation of her life, and she was a faithful member of Zion Lutheran Church on Franklin Lake. Gloria cherished time spent with her family and friends and believed there was always time for a visit, a smile, a joke, or a kind word.

On April 3, 1984, Gloria married Robert Dalman. Together they built a life centered on faith, family, and caring for others.

Gloria is survived by her husband, Robert Dalman; her daughter, Dawn (Al Sazama) Wiedewitsch; her sister, Margaret Wischnak of Morris, Minnesota; her brother, Daniel Erickson of Lake Park, Minnesota; her sisters-in-law, Lorraine Erickson of Park Rapids, Minnesota, Jeanette Erickson of Litchfield, Minnesota, and Norma (Elmer) Wald of Pelican Rapids, Minnesota; her brother-in-law and sister-in-law, Randy and Pam Dalman of Pelican Rapids, Minnesota; along with many nieces, nephews, extended family members, and dear friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Eddie and Danah Erickson; her first husband, Robert Wiedewitsch; her beloved son, Shane Wiedewitsch; her brothers, Norman, Lowell, and Ellery Erickson; her brother-in-law, Donald Wischnak; and her sisters-in-law, Carol and Evy Erickson.

Gloria's kindness, laughter, and unwavering faith will be deeply missed but lovingly remembered. She leaves behind a legacy of compassion, humor, generosity, and faith that will continue to live on in the hearts of her family, friends, neighbors, and everyone whose life she touched.

Blessed Be The Memory Of Gloria Ruth Erickson

In Loving Memory



Gloria Ruth Erickson

November 21, 1944 - June 27, 2026