



Emilie 'Puppchen' Fjellstedt Woods

April 30, 1938 - January 19, 2023

Emilie 'Puppchen' Fjellstedt Woods, 84, passed away peacefully on January 19, 2023. She was born April 30, 1938 in Oak Park, Illinois, to Thorsten and Emilie (nee Hemmig) Fjellstedt. She spent her early days in Park Ridge. In 1946, her family moved to a home on the north shore of Long Lake, where she lived until her death. She was a member of the Long Lake Yacht Club and of Trinity Lutheran Church. Puppchen graduated from Grant Community High School in 1956, and subsequently studied at the University of Wisconsin in Madison and Lake Forest College. In 1959, she spent six months traveling and skiing in Switzerland and Italy with her brother Paul, a time when she formed many of her fondest memories. Puppchen married her husband, Dick, in 1963. The couple founded Remwood Akitas and were members of the Midwest Akita Club and the Akita Club of America. Emilie enjoyed remodeling old homes. She had the mind and skills of an architect.

In 1977, Dick and Emilie adopted a daughter. Emilie devoted herself to volunteering at Gavin Schools and became a friend and mentor to numerous young people. She would often hire young people to work in her yard, a job that included both practical training in the use of tools and equipment and many hours sitting in the house discussing life and telling stories. Emilie volunteered at Trinity Lutheran Church in many capacities, including the Board of Social Ministry and the Board of Trustees. In her final years, she was responsible for running the church Memorial Garden. Emilie had two grandchildren who were an enormous source of joy in her life. She was a dear friend to many.

Emilie is survived by her daughter Emilie (Gary) Danca; grandchildren Katherine and Madeline Danca; siblings Paul Fjellstedt, Thor Fjellstedt, and Annamarie Baskin; nieces and nephews Sean (Vicki) Fjellstedt, Jamie Fjellstedt, Anders (Lyndsey) Fjellstedt, Jonathan (Liz) Baskin, and Peter (Ann) Baskin; and great-nieces and great-nephews Scarlett and Audrey Fjellstedt, Thor, Annika, and Greta Fjellstedt, Cate Baskin, and Erik (Shelley) and Hanna Baskin. She was preceded in death by her parents, by her husband Richard D. Woods, by her sister-in-law Nancy Fjellstedt and her brother-in-law Mark Baskin, and by her nephew, Sten Fjellstedt.

A memorial service will be held at Trinity Lutheran Church (25519 Hwy 134, Ingleside IL) on February 11, 2023 at 11:00 AM followed by a luncheon in the church basement. Memorials may be made to Trinity Lutheran Church, to the Long Lake Improvement and Sanitation Association, or to the American Heart Association.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

FEB 11. 11:00 AM.

Trinity Lutheran Church

Tribute Wall



“ *Emilie 'Puppchen' Fjellstedt Woods*

October 04, 2023 at 02:13 PM



“ *Sending love and prayers to all of Emilie's family throughout this very sad time. May the good and happy memories make it easier to get through one's sorrow. Take care, God Bless. Penny Bailitz (Camphausen-Radke)*



Penny Bailitz - January 25, 2023 at 07:18 AM



“ *I've done work for her since 72 and the last 5 years or so my wife went with me just to talk with her while I worked. We will both miss talking with her. Mike & Jean Dietz*

Michael Dietz - January 23, 2023 at 11:39 PM



“ *Dotti Joan lit a candle in memory of Emilie Woods*



Dotti & Joan - January 23, 2023 at 07:33 PM



“ *Paul, My condolences and sympathy on the passing of your sister. You may not remember me but you were my Allstate agent in Fox Lake and we both worked at Lakehurst Mall. I worked in the the tobacco shop. Ken Anderson*



Ken Anderson - January 23, 2023 at 06:21 PM



“ *So many funny, wonderful, caring memories of my neighbor for 43 years.*

Patricia Janensch - January 23, 2023 at 12:58 PM