



Elaine Marie Woods

January 13, 1948 - February 22, 2026

Elaine Marie Woods, a resident of Willow Springs, MO, passed away on Sunday, February 22, 2026, while at Mercy Hospital in Springfield, MO, due to natural causes. Born January 13, 1948, in Abilene, TX, to Clifford U. and Christina C. (Walter) Woods; she was 78 Years old.

Elaine attended high school and graduated from Central Catholic High School in Abilene, TX. She then attended McMurry College also in Abilene, and Creighton University in Omaha, NE. In May of 1979, she obtained her Ph.D. in Philosophy at Loyola University in Paris, France. During this time, Elaine also proudly served her country as a LPN in the United States Army from 1969 to 1990 obtaining the rank of Sergeant First Class. Elaine had many enjoyments in her life. She loved to cross stitch, read mystery and horror books, watch birds, and sit on her porch and watch and talk to people as they passed by. However, one of her favorite pastimes was working in her flower and vegetable gardens. She was a devoted Christian and was a member of Sacred Heart Catholic Church. She will be greatly missed by all who knew her.

Elaine was preceded in death by her parents, Clifford and Christina, and brothers, Michael and Francis Woods.

She is survived by her sister, Cecilia Sprague; her brother, Clifford Woods; her

sister, Earlene Bloomfield; her sister, Martha Whetsel; her brother, Harold Woods; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Graveside services for Elaine will be held Tuesday, March 10, 2026, at 1:00 PM at Howell Memorial Park Cemetery in Pomona, MO with Father Simon Enudu officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Willow Funeral Home, LLC. Online condolences may be left at www.willowspringsfuneralhome.com

Previous Events

Graveside Funeral Service

MAR **10**. 1:00 PM (CT)

Howell Memorial Park Cemetery
5604 US Highway 63
Pomona, MO 65789

Tribute Wall

MG

“ Elaine my sweet friend I didn't know you had passed you are an amazing friend that I loved dearly may you R.I.P you will never be forgotten but always in my heart till we meet again ❤️❤️

Mary Gressett - March 13 at 10:51 PM

BW

“ Sweet, sweet lady. What a loss to the community.
Brenda Westling

Brenda Westling - March 13 at 12:26 AM

DW

“ Marie you will never be forgotten. I can hear her response when I say you are so much like your mother. A personality that was her own. I will miss her laugh . May you find peace and healing in heaven. Keep Mike in line.

Dottie Woods - March 10 at 09:48 AM

MC

“ She was a wonderful woman, full of joy and delight. She had a ready smile for every one and was one of the strongest and most intelligent women I know. I will miss her smile and stocking cap. God rest her sweet soul.

Martha Cummings-Lawler - March 04 at 06:13 PM

EA

“ *Earlene sent a virtual gift in memory of Elaine Marie Woods*



Earlene - March 02 at 12:43 PM