



## Margaret "Elaine" Opelt

July 4, 1948 - February 2, 2025

Margaret Elaine Opelt, 76, of Old Hickory, Tennessee, formerly of Indianapolis, passed away February 2, 2025. She was born July 4, 1948 in Indianapolis to the late Calvin and Ruth F. (Carskaddon) Howard. Elaine was a graduate of Shortridge High School, attended IUPUI and graduated from Butler University with Bachelor's and Master's Degrees in Education. She married Patrick Opelt, June 9, 1973 and was a kindergarten teacher for Lawrence Township School Corporation for 41 years, retiring in 2011. Elaine was a member of Calvary Tabernacle and worked in the Sunday School Department for over 50 years.

Visitation will be Sunday, February 9, 2025 from 4:00 p.m. until the time of service at 6:00 p.m. at Calvary Tabernacle, 902 Fletcher Avenue, Indianapolis. Elaine is survived by her loving husband of 51 years, Patrick Opelt; son, Ethan C.H. Opelt (Bronwyn); and grandsons, Calvin Adrin Opelt and Wells Sherwood Opelt.

Final care and arrangements are entrusted to Shirley Brothers Thompson Road Chapel.

# Cemetery Details

## Washington Park North

2706 Kessler Blvd. West Dr.  
Indianapolis, IN

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB 9. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Calvary Tabernacle  
902 Fletcher Ave.  
Indianapolis, IN 46203  
(317) 262-4030

## Funeral Service

FEB 9. 6:00 PM (ET)

Calvary Tabernacle  
902 Fletcher Ave  
Indianapolis, IN 46203-1039  
(317) 262-4030

# Tribute Wall

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“ Elaine was in our Zumba Gold class at the YMCA here in Hermitage, TN. I remember Elaine joining our class some 3-5 yrs ago, but most of us know each other by first name only. She was always so pleasant and kind to those around her, & was always so neat in appearance. We have missed her a great deal & tried to keep up with her progress through the Y while hospitalized. We were so sorry to hear of her passing and extend our thoughts and prayers to her family. Janet//Randy A

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ammons' - February 12, 2025 at 08:39 PM

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“ Elaine was my cousin and she was the sweetest and most wonderful person I had known growing up through my years of knowing her. She would do anything for anybody no matter what the situation that person was going through. I will miss you a bunch and especially your great cooking. You were the best cook ever. I love you and God be with you and Bless your family. Thank you. Cynthia K. Tinsley

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Cynthia K Tinsley - February 10, 2025 at 10:59 AM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Margaret "Elaine" Opelt.



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February 09, 2025 at 12:09 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Margaret "Elaine" Opelt.



February 08, 2025 at 10:42 AM



“ Sweet lady she got me my first job after high school. We stayed in touch until our ministry took us so many places. Prayers for her family and friends, which thankfully she counted me one of over the years. ❤️🙏

Lila ( Lou Goddard)Moore - February 07, 2025 at 05:57 AM



“ Dorothy F. purchased the Fairest of All for the family of Margaret "Elaine" Opelt.



Dorothy F. - February 06, 2025 at 01:51 PM



“ Mrs. Opelt was my kindergarten teacher at Brook Park. She is the one that me in speech therapy. I sure appreciate it today. I am 49 yrs old. Your family is in my thoughts and prayers. Love, Brian Lasher

Brian Lasher - February 03, 2025 at 08:49 PM

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*I taught school, side by side with Elaine, for almost 20 years. She was like my sister. She was so intelligent and a wonderful person. Everyone who knew her will really miss her. God Bless her and prayers for her and all of her family. 🙏*

*Glenda Adams*

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**Glenda Adams** - February 08, 2025 at 10:10 AM

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*Mrs. Opelt was my kindergarten teacher in 1976. I moved to Indianapolis in January, and I still have the yearbook and our class photo from that year. She looks so elegant next to all the 5- and 6-year-olds.*

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**Stephanie Patrick** - August 02, 2025 at 09:36 PM