



## Geraldine "Gerrie" Haferman

October 29, 1935 - November 30, 2024

Geraldine "Gerrie" Ann (Johnson) Haferman, age 89, of Prior Lake, Minnesota, and Leesburg, Florida, passed away on November 30, 2024, while holding her devoted husband's hand as the angels came to bring her to Jesus in Heaven, where she is now at peace.

"And He will raise you up on eagles' wings,  
Bear you on the breath of dawn,  
Make you to shine like the sun,  
And hold you in the palm of His hand."

A Christian Funeral will be held on Tuesday, December 17, 2024, at 11 am, with a visitation from 9-10:45 am, at St. Paul's Lutheran Church, 5634 Luther Road, Prior Lake, MN. Rev. Greg DeMuth and Rev. Dr. Brent Parrish will preside. Gerrie will be laid to rest at St. Paul's Lutheran Cemetery. Memorials are preferred and distributed in Gerrie's memory by the family. Paul bearers will be Jeff Haferman, Jon Haferman, Pete Siegmund, Alex Haferman, Jackson Haferman, Paul Nowak, Nathan Bergengren and Shawn O'Hern.

Gerrie was born on October 29, 1935, in Minneapolis, Minnesota. She grew up in Spring Lake Park, where she attended school and graduated from Anoka High School. At the age of 16, she began working at the Woolworth Company in downtown Minneapolis. After high school, Gerrie moved to

Ogden, Utah, where she worked for CorningWare. She later lived in San Jose, California, before returning to Minnesota in 1961.

In 1963, Gerrie married Lawrence “Larry” George Haferman of Lydia, Minnesota, at a Lutheran church in Columbia Heights. The following year, they moved to a 13-acre home in Prior Lake, where they enjoyed life on their hobby farm with goats, horses, rabbits, cats, and dogs. Together, Larry and Gerrie raised and showed Champion Cardigan Welsh Corgis, an endeavor that brought them great pride and happiness.

Gerrie was the co-founder and CEO of Haferman Water Conditioning in Burnsville, Minnesota. In the days before computers, she managed all the company’s accounting by hand. Ever dedicated to learning, Gerrie earned her accounting degree from Dakota County Technical College while balancing work and family.

Gerrie served as a member of the board at St. Paul’s Lutheran Church and was instrumental in establishing St. Paul’s Lutheran School in the early 1980s. She also found great pleasure in reading historical fiction and tending to her many plants and flowers.

In the years following her life-changing stroke in 2017, Gerrie was an example of patient endurance to all those who knew her. She faced her challenges with grace and steadfast faith, inspiring her family and friends.

Gerrie was preceded in death by her parents, Ann Super Johnson and Ralph Nathaniel Johnson; her sisters, Gloria and Rae Ann; and her brothers, Gary and Gordon.

Gerrie is survived by her devoted husband of 61 years, Larry Haferman; daughter, Teri (Pete) Siegmund; sons, Jeffrey, Joseph, and Jonathan (Gail);

grandchildren, Troy (Abbie) Siegmund, Tyler (Liz) Siegmund, Kristiana (Paul) Nowak, Alex, Abby, Becca, Hailey, and Jackson; and great-grandchildren, Cooper, Wilson, Halla, Evelyn, Ava, and Ezra; brother, Gregory Johnson; many relatives and friends.

Gerrie's life was marked by her dedication to family, her faith, and her incredible work ethic. She will be remembered for her generosity, love of animals, and the light she brought to all who knew her.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC 17. 9:00 AM - 10:45 AM (CT)

St. Paul's Lutheran Church  
5634 Luther Road  
Prior Lake, MN

## Celebration of Life

DEC 17. 11:00 AM (CT)

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## Burial

DEC 17.

St. Paul's Cemetery