



## Elsa L. Reynolds

March 12, 1948 - May 15, 2026

Elsa Louise Reynolds was born to William A. and Virginia M. (nee Smith) Hassberger on March 12, 1948 in Detroit, Michigan. She spent her entire life as a resident of Royal Oak, Michigan. She graduated from Kimball High School in 1966, and earned a Bachelor of Fine Arts from Wayne State University in 1970.

Elsa met her beloved late husband of 49 years, Richard T. Reynolds when they were teenagers cruising Woodward Avenue with friends. They married on February 21, 1970. Elsa was a devoted wife and mother. She is survived by her loving daughters, Allison (Brent Plaxton) and Ashley (Virgil Schalm) and 5 grandchildren: Dane Plaxton, Ivy Plaxton, Virgil Aidan Schalm, Andrew Schalm and Brady Schalm. She is also survived by her sister-in-law, Laura (John Hassberger), and many nieces, nephews, cousins and friends. Elsa was an animal lover who also enjoyed creating art through painting and ceramics. She enjoyed gardening, reading and spending time with her family. Elsa will be deeply missed by all who were lucky enough to know her.

The family will receive guests at a Celebration of Life on Saturday, June 27, 2026 at 11 am; service at 12pm at the First United Methodist Church of Royal Oak, 320 W. 7th Street, Royal Oak, MI 48067. In lieu of flowers, family requests donations be made to the Royal Oak Animal Shelter or Outreach on 7th:

-Outreach On 7Th Giving Hub <<https://givebutter.com/outreach-on-7th>>

Donate to Royal Oak Animal Shelter | Royal Oak Civic Foundation <<https://royaloakcivicfoundation.org/donate-royal-oak-501c3/royal-oak-animal-shelter/>> .

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# Upcoming Events

## Memorial Service

JUN 27. 12:00 PM (ET)

First United Methodist Church of Royal Oak  
320 W. Seventh Street  
Royal Oak, MI 48067