



Elaine Johnston

July 24, 1957 - April 10, 2023

Elaine Lynn (Quinn) Johnston, age 65, of Sault Ste. Marie, MI passed away peacefully at The Ball Hospice House, surrounded by her loving husband, children, and dog on April 10th, 2023.

Elaine was born on July 24th, 1957, in Sault Ste. Marie, MI to the late William Quinn and Alma (McLean) Quinn.

She was graduate of Sault Area High School in the class of 1975. On July 1st, 1988, she married her soulmate, Michael Travers Johnston in Sault Ste. Marie, MI.

Elaine was well known for her many years as the best waitress in the EUP. From her years at the Robin's Nest, to her final working years at the Lockview, Elaine was the best server any restaurant could ever ask for. To see her working a crowded dining room in the busiest time of tourist season, with a huge smile on her face, was a thing of magic. She loved what she did and it showed.

She and her husband lived a beautiful life filled with many adventures; from camping at Monocle, visits to Wixom Lake to visit their best friends, and trips to Florida after retirement, they never missed a moment to have fun. Many people don't find their "person," but they were so fortunate to have found each other.

Elaine's love for her family was evident every day. She was the peacemaker, the therapist, the shoulder to cry on, and the one you called when you needed anything. Parenting advice, help with a recipe, or a random fact you needed to

know were her specialties; especially on any given weekday, where she would beat anyone who dared to challenge her in Jeopardy. She was known as "Grandma Nana" to her grandchildren and great grandchildren, who she adored.

Elaine is survived by her beloved husband Michael, mother Alma Quinn, two siblings: Mike Quinn and Lori (Lon) Desormeau, all of Sault Ste. Marie, MI; four children: Sherri (Don Bentley) Bloomfield and Terry (Nicole) Wilkins also of Sault Ste. Marie, MI, Mike (Angela) Johnston Jr. of Elk Rapids, MI, and Christina Wilkins of Prairie Village, KS; grandchildren: Rachel, Emily (Jeff), Alyssa, Aaron, Sidney, Jenna, and Laila; and great grandchildren: Ryan, Jaxson, Cora, Lauren, and Liam, sisters-in-law Nancy (Russ) Miller of Niceville, Florida, Cindy McKee of Sault Ste. Marie, and Janis (Jeff) Saari of Crystal Lake, Illinois. She is also survived by many nieces, nephews, and cousins. She is predeceased by her father William, her brother Billy, father-in-law Harry, mother-in-law Eileen, and brother-in-law Bill.

She fought her diagnosis of Progressive Supranuclear Palsy with admirable strength and was determined to make the best of her days. Even when days got hard, Elaine faced it head on, often times using humor as a way to comfort those around her. She will be missed immensely, but her heart will live on in our memories.

A memorial service will be held at 1 p.m. on April 14, 2023, at C.S. Mulder Funeral Home. Friends may gather that same day at the funeral home from 11 a.m., until the time of service.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to The Ball Hospice House. We would like to extend a special thank you to the angels at EUP Home Health and Hospice for the amazing care they provided to Elaine over the last few weeks.

Tribute Wall

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“ Aaron & Family:

On behalf of the Sault Ste. Marie Police Service, I wish to extend my sincere condolences during this sad time.

Chief Hugh Stevenson

And all members of the Sault Ste. Marie Police Service

Chief Hugh Stevenson - April 13, 2023 at 12:00 AM

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“ *A beautiful lady with a beautiful heart. She lived life to the fullest. I am saddened to hear her passing. Sending love to all her loved ones. She will be missed greatly. Love Ruthann.*

Ruthann Wilson - April 11, 2023 at 12:00 AM

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“ *My sincere condolences for your loss!! Many thoughts and prayers go out to her loved ones, she was a very kind and wonderful woman!!! 🙏❤️*

Amy Cook - April 11, 2023 at 12:00 AM