



Lynn Joanne Elder

March 25, 1943 - July 26, 2025

Doctor Lynn Jo Anne Elder went to be with her beloved Lord and Savior on Saturday July 26, 2025 at age 82 at Alive Hospice, Nashville Tennessee.

Lynn was the wife of her loving and devoted husband Doctor Raymond Elder (Doc). She will be greatly missed by her sister Pamela King (Arthur).

Cherished Aunt of Kelly King (Eric Erwin), Diane Robb (Bill) and Laura Pachal (Mike).

Predeceased by her parents Donald and Gladys Howard, her twin sister Gwenn Neusch, brother-in-law Reinhard Neusch and niece Rose.

Lynn is survived by great nieces and nephews; Caelan (Monica), Brayden (Sanni), Jesse, Sophie, Darcey and Julia, as well as great nephew Wyatt and great niece Reese.

Lynn was born in Midland Ontario, Canada where she attended elementary and high school. Her family moved to Scarborough Ontario in 1958 where she continued high school. Lynn's first work experience was in banking after which she operated the switchboard at Ontario Crippled Children's Society in Toronto.

Lynn and Ray were married in Scarborough, August 22, 1970 after which she returned to banking in Hagersville and Caledonia Ontario. Lynn was a great role model to many troubled and hurting youth sent from the courts to Praise Him Ministries, a group home they initiated in Cayuga Ontario.

They moved to Rehrersburg, PA along with their fellow worker, Rick Dodridge and took up duties at the Adult & Teen Challenge Training Center in 1979. In

1987 Lynn & Ray moved to California with 3 graduates from Adult & Teen Challenge (Chris, Tim, Mark and later Jamie). During this time Lynn & Ray smuggled bibles into mainland China over a 2 year period; 6 times. They moved to another ministry and in 1990 they moved to Nashville TN to direct the Adult & Teen Challenge Women's Program. They also began a Men's Program and a Farm till 2004.

She continued to be a vessel of God in transforming Men and Women's lives. Lynn authored two books, "I Love You But Not Your Behavior" and "I Dare You not to Remain a Victim to Your Past" and she took her Seminar to Adult and Teen Challenge's and Churches all over North America and around the world. Lynn would go on and work with Barbara Dodridge to develop her seminar online.

Lynn was a skilled, Godly counselor, patiently spending hours with countless people she grew to love and loved her. She also shared her wisdom and love in counseling with countless numbers of bikers. Lynn was favored, respected and honored among 5,000 bikers in the Nashville area. Lynn would join Ray in 23 bars developing deep and lasting relationships. On many occasions, as they would visit one of the autonomous biker meetings in a bar, the music would stop; it would be announced in the bar to be reverent, because Doc and Linnie were in the house. Linnie would cry out "Don't worry about us, God is in the house!". She was deeply loved by the biker community and eternity will reveal the impact her love and life has had on each one.

Linnie voiced her desire to her loving husband Ray in her final hours here; saying "I am ready to go to be with my Jesus". We will all miss her immensely, but we who trust Jesus as our Savior will spend eternity with her and our Lord. The Celebration of Life service for Linnie will be live streamed on YouTube at: <https://www.youtube.com/@oakhillassemblyofgod4557>

A Celebration of Lynn's life will be conducted Saturday, August 2nd at 11am at Oak Hill Assembly of God, 5200 Franklin Pk. Oak Hill, TN 37220.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

AUG 2. 11:00 AM (CT)

Oak Hill Assembly of God
5200 Franklin Pike
Nashville, TN 37220

Tribute Wall



“ 140 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Phillips-Robinson Funeral Home - August 01, 2025 at 02:37 PM

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“ Donna Martin lit a candle in memory of Lynn Joanne Elder



Donna Martin - August 01, 2025 at 12:16 PM

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“ The Robb Family purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Lynn Joanne Elder.



The Robb Family - July 30, 2025 at 08:12 PM

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“ Chapman Family purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Lynn Joanne Elder.



Chapman Family - July 29, 2025 at 11:48 PM

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“ Chapman Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Lynn Joanne Elder.

Chapman Family - July 29, 2025 at 11:48 PM