



## Barbara Louise Elstad

June 7, 1933 - June 16, 2021

Barbara Louise Elstad, 88, danced into the sunset on June 16, 2021 after a short battle with pancreatic cancer. She joins her husband Scott who she shared 65 years of her life, her beloved son-in-law, Denis Anderson and her parents and five siblings.

She is survived by her children; Susan Anderson, Nancy Elstad, Scott Elstad and wife Kimbrough, and Sally Elstad and husband Dan Olley and her adored grandchildren; Paul Anderson, David Anderson and John Elstad and sister-in-law Gretchen Nelson and brother-in-law Dale Hubbard and a wonderful extended group of nieces and nephews and their children all of who she loved dearly.

After growing up in Svea, Minnesota, she married and had the wonderful adventure of moving homes eleven times in 7 states before settling into her Houston home in 1970 where she lived until her passing. She was an exceptional hostess and loved entertaining, dancing, playing tennis, being school room and swim team mom, leading community activities and being a partner in an interior decorating company. She also loved being a mom, grandmother, a good friend, a spiritual member of her church and a dedicated volunteer at MD Anderson for over 25 years but above anything, Barb loved caring for others.

She believed laughter made everything better and so took it on herself to spread laughter and joy wherever she went. Barb's heart was filled with love for so many and was loved by so many. Her playful, adventurous, and occasionally mischievous, personality and warm heart made any stranger she met feel like they had a new best friend.

The Memorial Service will be held on Saturday, June 26 at 2pm at Christ the Servant Lutheran Church; 2400 S. Wilcrest Dr, Houston, Tx. Reception to follow in the church hall.

In lieu of floral remembrances, memorials may be made in Barb's name to MD Anderson and Houston Hospice both in Houston, Tx.

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

JUN **26**. 2:00 PM (CT)

Christ The Servant Lutheran Church  
2400 Wilcrest  
Houston, TX 77042

# Tribute Wall



“ *Barbara Louise Elstad*

October 08, 2023 at 10:52 AM



“ *Barbara Louise Elstad*

October 06, 2023 at 01:12 AM



“ *Barbara Louise Elstad*

October 05, 2023 at 09:45 AM



“ *Barbara Louise Elstad*

October 05, 2023 at 01:54 AM



“ *Dear Elstad Family,*

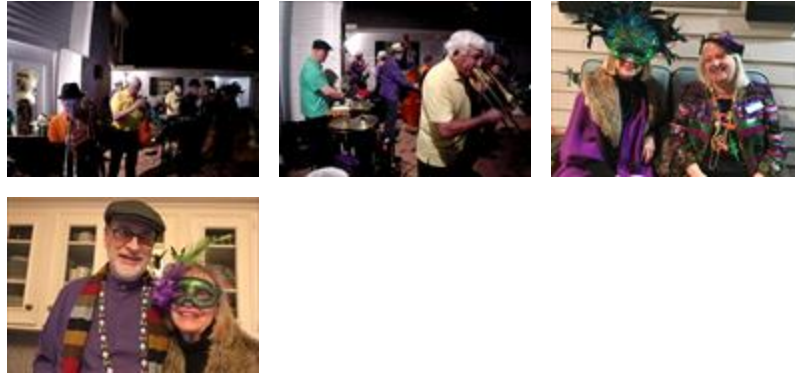
*I was so sorry to read about your mother's passing. I have very fond memories of her, and of your family from the brief time you lived in Moraga. My sincerest condolences.*

*Pam Leighton (DeJohn)*

**Pam Leighton (DeJohn)** - August 16, 2021 at 02:02 PM

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Jim Wright - June 30, 2021 at 03:01 PM

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*Dear Barbara.*

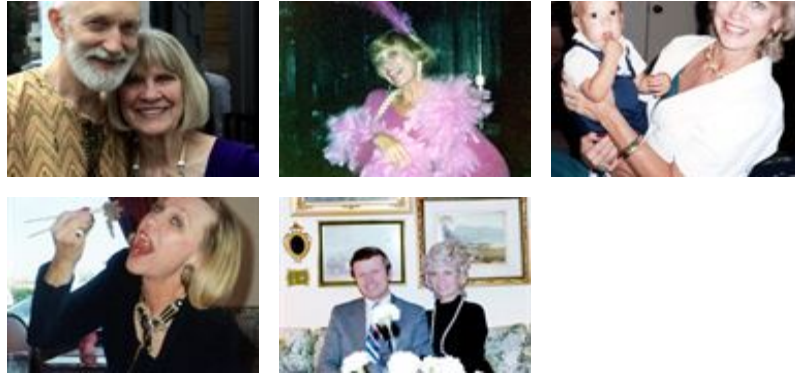
*We will always remember your beautiful smile and gracious hospitality. We loved playing for you and the Newcomers & Neighbors of Houston at those fabulous Mardi Gras parties in your backyard. We are saddened to hear of your passing but take some comfort knowing you are at home in Heaven and hosting the grandest parties. Our heartfelt sympathy to the entire family and all her dear friends. God bless you all.*

*The Trad Jazz Swingers  
Jim Wright - bass  
Stewart Olsen - cornet  
Dusty Dickerson - piano  
Tim Timpani - t-bone  
Steve Bretzke - drums*

Jim Wright - June 30, 2021 at 03:16 PM



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**Detting Funeral Home** - June 22, 2021 at 04:28 AM

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“ *Barb's zest for life and love of everyone she met will not be forgotten. Rest in peace dear friend.*

**Jo Goodwin** - June 21, 2021 at 11:14 AM



“ *I will forever remember Barbara's infectious smile. She visited with us at MDA when we were there with my dad. Barbara was a beautiful lady inside and out. My thoughts and prayers are with the Elstad Family.*  
*In sympathy, Susan Overton Barré*

**Susan Barré** - June 20, 2021 at 07:32 PM

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“ *Ron and I were saddened to learn of Barb's passing. During our 25 years in Westchester, she was a treasured neighbor and a great member and supporter of the Women's Club. She was a lovely hostess and a sweet friend. May she Rest In Peace.*  
*Carol Litzman*

**Carol Litzman** - June 20, 2021 at 06:26 PM

BB

“ Great family friend, many fond memories of Scot, Barbara and the Elstad Family. She is greatly missed.

Barry Briggs - June 20, 2021 at 03:57 PM

DE

“ It's with a heavy heart we sent prayers to the Elstad family. A truly beautiful lady inside and out. She brought joy to everyone she touched. Jeff is broken hearted by her passing. She was like a second mother to him growing up. We will be praying for all of you.



Deborah Evans - June 20, 2021 at 12:33 PM



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Dettling Funeral Home - June 19, 2021 at 09:26 PM