

Robin Swanson, 51, of Warren, MN, passed away Friday, December 27, 2019 at Altru Hospital in Grand Forks, ND with her family by her side.

Robin Lee Swanson was born on September 12, 1968 in Crookston, MN, the daughter of Gale and Gloria (Prather) Swanson. She was raised in Warren where she attended school before moving with her family to Rosamond, CA where she got her GED from Rosamond High School. On July 20, 2007, she was married to Greg Polk. They made their home in Stephens, AR where she worked as an Industrial Lab Technician for Deltic Timber. Robin moved back to Warren several years ago and she worked at Digi-Key in Thief River Falls, MN.

She was a member of Zion Lutheran Church.

Robin loved being a mother first to her son Roman Swanson. She also liked fishing, hunting and watching the Minnesota Vikings. She loved to dance and enjoyed spending time at the hunting camp in Arkansas. She provided amazing care to her parents for ten years. She was very selfless and devoted her life to the well being of her loved ones.

Left to mourn her passing are her son, Roman Swanson (Gisselle) and grandson, Landon Swanson of Lancaster, CA; stepson, Dalton Polk of Statesboro, GA; stepdaughter, Katelyn Polk of Stephens, AR; father, Gale Swanson of Crookston, MN; siblings, Randy Swanson of St. John, ND, Renae Swanson of Warren, MN and Robert (Pam) Swanson of Camden, AR and niece, Alexis Swanson-Coleman of Los Angeles, CA.

She was preceded in death by her mother, Gloria Swanson.



*God hath not promised skies always blue,
Flower-strewn pathways all our lives through;*

*God hath not promised sun without rain,
Joy without sorrow, peace without pain.*

*But God hath promised strength for the day,
Rest for the labor, light for the way.*

Grace for the trials, help from above,

Unfailing sympathy

Undying Love...

On the Back:

This poem was taken from
Reuben Swanson's memorial ,1976

On the Front:

A sunrise on Lake Upsilon, ND;
a place all three held dear.

Remembering the

Swanson Family

Gloria ♦ Gale ♦ Robin



In Loving Memory of

Gale Laverne

Mar. 3, 1938

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Apr. 5, 2020

Robin Lee

Sept. 12, 1968

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Dec. 27, 2019

Gloria Lee

Jan. 22, 1924

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Oct. 18, 2011

Memorial Service

Wednesday, August 12, 2020 ~ 10:30 AM

Greenwood Cemetery

Warren, Minnesota

Presiding

Rev. Thomas Puffe

Zion Lutheran Church (LCMS)

Warren, Minnesota

Military Honors

Minnesota Honor Guard

Warren American Legion, Post #27

Special Music

Amazing Grace

Brian Solem, bagpiper

Interment of Cremated Remains

Greenwood Cemetery

Warren, Minnesota

DuBore
FUNERAL HOME

Gloria Swanson, 69, of Black Canyon City, AZ, formerly of Warren, MN, died on October 18, 2011, in Scottsdale, after a long and courageous battle with cancer.

Gloria Lee Prather was born on January 22, 1924, in Boone, IA, the daughter of Oliver and Pauline Prather. She graduated from Boone High School. On November 17, 1962, she was united in marriage to Gale Swanson, in Austin, TX. They made their home in Warren until 1984, then moved to Rosamond, CA. She worked various security positions at Edwards Air Force Base until 2004. They retired and moved to Black Canyon City. While living in Warren, she was very active in the Boy Scouts and Zion Lutheran Church, the American Legion Auxiliary in all the community in which she lived, Grace Lutheran Church in Lancaster, CA, then in Grace Lutheran Church in Black Canyon City. Gloria will be remembered as a well-rounded, charismatic individual, who brightened up any room and brought her family together.

Survivors include her husband, Gale; two sons, Randy and Robert (Pam) Swanson; two daughters, Robin (Greg) Polk and Renae Swanson; two grandchildren; two sisters, Diana (Scotty) Daub of Phoenix, AZ, and Shari (Gary) Peters of Viking, MN; one brother, Gary (Nita) McNaughton of Rapid City, SD; and many friends.

Preceding her in death are her parents; a sister, Connie (Ken) Hubbard in Texas; and a brother Dean (Jean) Prather in South Carolina.

Gale Swanson, 82, of Warren, MN, passed away on Palm Sunday, April 5, 2020 at Villa Saint Vincent in Crookston, MN, after a long and courageous battle with Parkinson's Disease.

Gale was born on March 3rd, 1938, the only child to Reuben and Freda (Dargus) Swanson. He was raised on a farm near Warren and graduated from Warren High School with the class of 1956.

He enlisted in the United States Air Force in 1958 and was stationed overseas in Germany and eventually in Texas where he met and married the love of his life, Gloria Prather on November 17th, 1962. To this union a son (Randy) in 1965 and two daughters (Robin) in 1968 and (Renae) in 1971 were born. Another son (Robert) was adopted in 1973 and became a cherished member of their family.

Gale owned Warren T.V. and Appliance on Main Street in Warren for a time in the 1970's and early 1980's but decided in 1984 to move to California to pursue a career with NASA at Edwards AFB. Gale was employed at Ames Dryden Research Facility as a Avionics Instrumentation Technician from 1984 and eventually retiring in 2004 after 20 years of service mostly with Experimental Aircraft. He was very proud of his time working with NASA. After retirement, they moved to Black Canyon City, AZ. in 2005 and traveled the nation in his Dodge Diesel and camper and devoted their time being active in the VFW and American Legion serving in many different positions with those organizations. Gale and Gloria were also very active with the Boy Scouts in Warren where he served as Scoutmaster for many years in the 1970's and early 1980's. Gale truly loved his time spent mentoring his sons and many boys in the area into adulthood.

On October 18th, 2011, Gloria passed away due to complications from COPD, he eventually moved in 2014 to Stephens, Arkansas to live with his daughter Robin who became his loving caretaker. They moved back to the Warren community in 2017 and until recently resided there. In August of 2019, Gale became a resident of Villa St. Vincent.

Gale is survived by his sons, Randy of St. John, ND and Robert (Pam) of Camden, AR and a daughter, Renae of Warren. He is also survived by two grandchildren, Roman Swanson (Gisselle) of Santa Clarita, Ca. and Alexis Swanson-Coleman of Simi Valley, Ca. and one great-grandchild, Landon Jace Swanson. He was predeceased by his father, Reuben, mother, Freda, his beautiful wife, Gloria in 2011 and his loving daughter, Robin who passed away on December 27th, 2019

Gale enjoyed dancing and listening to old country and western music and volunteering his time for the betterment of his community wherever they happened to live. God Bless the memory of our Father, Grandfather and Great-Grandfather, Gale.