



Elsa Hanna Mollo-Snow

March 9, 1941 - August 2, 2020

Elsa Hanna Mollo-Snow, of Pemberton, passed away on Sunday, August 2, 2020 at home surrounded by her family. She was 79. Born in Kearny, NJ; the daughter of the late Erling and Wanda Persson.

Elsa was an active member of St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Hainesport. She was a volunteer at Deborah Hospital for some years. She enjoyed spending time with her friends going to concerts, Bible studies, and a neighborhood bookclub.

She is survived by her children, Lois (Fred) Vincent, Joseph (Bonnie Jean) Gallagher and Stephen (Carol Jean) Gallagher; grandchildren, Bess (Jason) Breeden, Greg Vincent, Sara Vincent, Grant Gallagher, Brett Gallagher, Erin (Mark) Anderson, and Adam (Elizabeth) Gallagher; great-grandchildren, Waylon, Katelyn, Ashford, Eowyn, and Wilder; and a brother, George Persson. She is predeceased by her husbands, Joseph E. Gallagher, Frederick R. Mollo, and George Snow and a brother, Dennis Persson.

Relatives and friends may attend a graveside service at Barnegat Memorial Cemetery (Barnegat Masonic Cemetery), W. Bay Ave., Barnegat on Saturday, August 15 at 2 PM. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations can be made in Elsa's memory to the St. Paul's Lutheran Church, 910 Marne Highway, Hainesport, NJ 08036. Arrangements are under the direction of Perinchief Chapels, 438 High St., Mt. Holly. www.perinchief.com

Cemetery Details

Barnegat Memorial Cemetery

W. Bay Ave.
Barnegat, NJ

Previous Events

Graveside Service

AUG 15. 2:00 PM (ET)

Barnegat Memorial Cemetery
W. Bay Ave.
Barnegat, NJ

Tribute Wall



“ *Perinchief Chapels created a Tribute Video in memory of Elsa Hanna Mollo-Snow*



Perinchief Chapels - August 07, 2020 at 01:18 PM



“ *Elsa Hanna Mollo-Snow*

October 29, 2022 at 11:57 AM



“ *Elsa Hanna Mollo-Snow*

October 29, 2022 at 09:53 AM



“ *1 file added to the album Memories Album*



Steve Gallagher - August 25, 2020 at 11:26 AM

LR

“ elsa was my life long friend from high school. She was in my wedding . Although we didn't see each other often , we always got together when she came to Harrison and had our lunch at Tops Diner. She was always a caring and empathetic friend, always ready to listen, never judging, I will miss our phone calls, but most of all I will miss my dear friend. See you in the resurrection, Condolences to her loving family. Love, Marlene Robinson

Louise M. Robinson - August 23, 2020 at 02:45 PM



“ Here is the second (concluding) part of the eulogy I gave today at Mom's funeral.

She lived life so remarkably well and honorably. She made such wise choices. What was her secret? She is the product of her parents' good upbringing for certain, but in a deeper way than was demonstrated to her by her parents, she found strength for life through her faith in God. She spent sweet time with Jesus in her devotions every morning and evening, reading her Bible, and meditating on the words of hymns, and of her favorite authors such as Norman Vincent Peale, Joyce Meyer, Ann Spangler, and Charles Stanley. She drew strength from the hope and blessed assurance that what we live and experience here in this physical, earthly world is not all there is. She lived with an eternal perspective. She trusted in Jesus. Jesus who said, "I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father but by me." And she trusted in the same Jesus who said, "I am the resurrection and the Life. Whoever believes in me, though he die, yet shall he live." And she trusted in the same Jesus who said, "I go to prepare a place for you ... and I will take you to myself, that where I am you may be also." She drew comfort and strength from powerful Bible promises like these which God has freely given to all who believe and put their trust in Jesus.

I've probably painted a picture of mom in this eulogy that is too perfect. She sure didn't have a lot of flaws, but like all of us, she knew all-too-well her own mistakes, sins, and guilt in life. This is a normal part of being human. But she also knew that wonderful Gospel promise in which Jesus takes our place in suffering the punishment of crucifixion as the penalty for the sins of all the world. He died in substitutionary atonement for our sins. And Mom had the faith in Jesus that makes this promise become a reality in one's life. God so loved the world, that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life." The key to gaining eternal life is that simple. Believing in the one whom God sent to save the world. Jesus is our only hope. Mom's greatest wish for each of us whom she has left behind would be for

us to know and experience and believe in this Son of God who gave his life for us in order that we might have life. Jesus offers to us abundant life. For those like Mom who believed effectually in Jesus, that abundant life is not something we have to wait to enjoy till after we die. The joy of knowing Jesus is for us experience now and to live with throughout our lives.

Mom is with Jesus now and our hearts are grieved to have to say goodbye to her. I will miss the countless quality times we've shared with her. Times around the table, both at home and in restaurants which she loved going to. I will miss the games of pinochle we played, and the vacations she took us on, and simple things like working on the day's jumble puzzle in the morning paper, and the daily jeopardy question. I will always cherish the precious memories she left with us.

Sad as it is to say goodbye, with the hope that Jesus offers to us, we know that this is not a final goodbye we're saying to Mom. It's more of a "see you later." We don't have to grieve like those who have no hope. We who believe and trust in Jesus know that we will see Mom again. And we can live in the same hope throughout our lives that she lived with and drew strength and comfort from throughout her life.

*May God comfort each of our hearts with these powerful truths.
Amen.*

Steve Gallagher - August 15, 2020 at 09:15 PM



“ Here is the text of the eulogy I gave today at Mom's funeral. I have to put it in two separate posts, because of the 4,000 character limit. Here is the first of two:

Mom was a blessed woman. She lived life to the fullest. She didn't hold back love from any and everyone who knew her. From her friends, we've heard testimony about her impact on their lives – things like, "Elsa was one of the sweetest, kindest people they knew" and it's true. From her many relatives on various sides of this complex family, there has always been an unspoken and sometimes verbalized deep admiration for her. She had a heart full of compassion. She was a woman of excellent taste. She had great tact. She is not remembered by any to have ever been contentious, bitter, vindictive, or spiteful. She valued people, saw the good in people, and overlooked people's faults. She was quick to forgive, and was also quick to rectify a situation and reconcile where she thought she may have been in the wrong. Which was remarkably almost never.

She knew what it was to suffer tragedy. She lost her first husband, my dad Joe Gallagher to violence in 1971. She lost her second husband, my stepdad Fred Mollo to heart disease in 1988, and she lost her third husband my second stepdad George Snow to cancer in 2005. In addition to the deaths of her parents and brother Dennis under relatively normal life circumstances, there was also the violent death of her granddaughter Jami in 2015.

In all of these tragedies and difficulties, she felt the wounds, bore the grief, and was forever changed as a result, yet she somehow still found the strength to carry on and kept right on loving all of us, and being an inspiration and source of blessing and strength to all of us. After our dad passed away she did amazingly well raising us as a single mom, working hard, putting food on the table, always giving generously tangible gifts, being thoughtful to always remember special occasions and reward and celebrate accomplishments, but beyond all that there was a deep and strong

current of constantly flowing love and tenderness in her heart for all of us, and she siezed every chance she had to express that love meaningfully to us. She was a generous blessing in this way not only to the generation of us her children and grandchildren who relied on her in countless ways, but she also provided for her own parents a better living situation in their retirement years.

She put me thru college. When Carol Jean and I became a missionaries in the ministry of Bible translation to a remote people group in Papua New Guinea, she stood behind our cause and was a generous sponsor from the beginning and throughout. She came to PNG twice. And the second time in 2012 she had the privilege of celebrating with us the fruit of her investment and prayers, seeing Bariai people reading God's Word in their language for the first time.

Steve Gallagher - August 15, 2020 at 09:13 PM

ER

“ *One thing I will miss is Grandma's phone calls. She was always interested in what was happening with me and the family. Even though far away we still stayed in touch. She was kind and generous and a strong woman. It was fun when I visited her in New Jersey a while back with Eowyn. I wish she could have met Wilder. I love you always Grandma E!*

Erin - August 15, 2020 at 11:54 AM

DR

“ *Elsa was a dear, sweet women who showed kindness to everyone she met. She will be missed greatly*

Don & Roseann - August 12, 2020 at 12:11 PM

PA

“ *Elsa Hanna i ljust minne bevarad.
// Perolof Avre//*



Perolof Avre - August 10, 2020 at 02:35 PM

PA

“ *In bright memory presered.
//The Perolof Avre family in Sweden//*



Perolof Avre - August 10, 2020 at 02:31 PM

TB

“ *What a beautiful video and photo tribute. I remember meeting Elsa in 2012 at the Bariai Bible dedication in PNG. What a sweet woman. She has run the race well. Praying for the all the family, especially Steve, Carol Jean, Erin, and Adam! Till we meet again...*

*Love with tears, from Tasmania,
Peirce, Christina, Eve, Meg, Lilia, Dot, Bess, Maria, Cora, and Wyc*

The Baehrs - August 09, 2020 at 02:25 AM

JV

“ My condolences to the family of Mrs. Snow. She was a wonderful person. I'm so happy i was able to see her at the chili cook off a couple years ago. My Mom (Kay Vasta) loved her company and friendship. I remember them laughing all the time in the old neighborhood. Our deepest sympathy.

Sincerely,

Joe Vasta & Mom (Kay)

Joseph Vasta - August 07, 2020 at 08:27 PM

SG

Thanks so much, Joe, for your kind words. Warmest greetings to you and your Mom. We have so many happy memories growing up together with you there. Stay well. All the best,
Steve

Steve Gallagher - August 08, 2020 at 10:32 AM

JS

“ Elsa was a part of St. Paul's girls night out for many years. Our group of girlfriends would go out for dinner once a month and we always had such a good time together. Elsa was a most lovely lady and will surely be missed by her friends. Gods blessings to her family at this time.

Janice Steinberg - August 07, 2020 at 04:56 PM

BS

“ I will miss sitting with Elsa for the 5:00 Saturday night service at church ... I will miss going on trips with her ... most of all I will miss having comforting conversations with her ... she was indeed a beautiful lady inside and out ... R.I.P. sweet Elsa

Barbara Shinn - August 05, 2020 at 04:03 PM