



Ellen Anne Robinson

July 15, 1940 - February 14, 2026

Ellen Anne Robinson, 85, of Richey, Montana, was lifted up to the Lord and her forever valentine peacefully on Saturday, February 14, 2026, at Billings Clinic Hospital in Billings, Montana with her family and Fr. Leo McDowell at her side. Visitation will be held from 5-7pm Thursday, February 19, 2026 at St. Francis de Sales Catholic Church in Richey, MT. Rosary will follow at 7pm. Funeral Service will be held at 11am Friday, February 20, 2026 at the Richey Senior Center, with visitation one hour prior to service. Rite of Committal will follow at the Richey Cemetery. Silha Funeral Home of Glendive, MT has been entrusted with arrangements.

Ellen was born on July 15, 1940 as a miracle baby to Fred and Frances Phillips of Livingston, MT. Throughout her life, she continued to be nothing short of a miracle. In her adolescence years, she participated in FHA, cheerleading, chorus, FTA, and junior and senior plays. She married the love of her life, Philip Robinson Jr. on November 26, 1958. A few short years later, the two of them made their home and family in Richey, MT. Their home was a sanctuary of warmth rooted in a small community of good people, great compassion, and endless support. Richey is often thought to be the middle of nowhere, but it was the center of her world, a safe haven that supported her through every stage of life up until her final breath.

Ellen was known affectionately as the “Sports Grandma” to her children,

grandchildren and their teammates. Ellen never missed an event. Whether it was sitting in the bleachers, enduring frigid Friday night lights, blazing hot track meets, or more recently from the comfort of her own home, she was always there cheering louder than anyone (especially when her beloved Seahawks won the Superbowl) and offering her unconditional love and support. Her hands were rarely still – whether she was crafting, sewing, or crocheting as many fondly remember, creating personalized treasures for every special occasion. She had a unique talent for transforming simple materials into cherished keepsakes, ensuring that her love was stitched into the lives of her children and grandchildren. Ellen was notorious for her “grandma camp” summers, her infectious laugh, and her ability to make every grandchild feel like they were her favorite. Every long car ride or phone call was filled with life advice that you didn’t know you needed.

Ellen was also known for being a “tough cookie” with a gentle soul. She dedicated her life to serving God and blessing others. Her garden was an extension of her worship. Where she found God in every bloom and grew food to nourish her loved ones. Whether she was planting seeds, weeding her flowerbeds, or sharing a meal around her table, Ellen taught her children and grandchildren the importance of nurturing growth, both in the soil and in the spirit. To know Ellen was to love her and her impression stamped on the hearts of others will make a positive impact for years to come.

Ellen is survived by her children Roberta Robinson of Warren, MI; Rob and Kathy Robinson (Michael, Amy, and Brett) of Joliet, MT, Andy and Lana Robinson (Christopher, Netanya, and Nicole) of Las Vegas, NV; Lenny Robinson (Philip and Shondel) of Livingston, MT; Tim and JJ Robinson (Scotti and Skyler) of Baker, MT, Sue and Casey Veroye (Ann and Joe) of Glendive, MT, along with many cherished great grandchildren and extended family members, all who were her absolute pride and joy. It goes without saying that in a community like Richey, that she is also survived by many friends who

were instrumental in her life, especially the Vern and Jan Brost family. She is preceded in death by her husband, mother, father, and her four siblings. She will be missed dearly, not just her family by the entire community she touched with her kindness.

The entire Robinson family wants to express our deepest gratitude for the love and support shown to Ellen throughout her life in Richey, MT. Small town big family rings true. We are forever grateful for all of the community members who showed up in ways we never thought possible. Your generous support, acts of kindness, delicious meals, and genuine connection was truly what got her through these last few years. It is because of you that her dreams and wishes came true. Thank you from the bottom of our hearts!

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Richey Catholic Church or the Phil Robinson Scholarship Fund at Stockman Bank in Glendive, MT.

Remembrances and condolences may be shared with the family at www.SilhaFuneralHomes.com.

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 19. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (MT)

St. Francis de Sales
301 Main Street
Richey, MT 59259

Rosary

FEB 19. 7:00 PM (MT)

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301 Main Street
Richey, MT 59259

Visitation

FEB 20. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (MT)

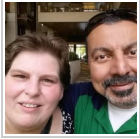
Richey Senior Center
South 4th Street
Richey, MT 59259

Funeral Service

FEB 20. 11:00 AM (MT)

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Tribute Wall



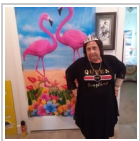
“ *My sincerest condolences on your loss. I haven't seen Ellen Ann since I was a kid back in the 70's. I know that my aunt Ann (Phil's mom) spoke of her often. Sorry to lose a sweet soul like her.*

Mary Ibrahim - March 13 at 11:27 PM



“ *I was so sorry to hear of Ellen Anne's passing.I was in SaintMarysgrade school in Livingston with her. Later in park high. My husband graduated with her.Phil worked with my husband in the summer for the forest service. Knew Ellen's mother ve ry well.Ellen was so loved and special to us.A beautiful lady*

lela larkin - February 21 at 05:52 PM



“ *Ellen and I went to St. Mary's Catholic School together and high school. We were the closest of friends and her mother would make us cinnamon rolls on First Friday. I was Robertas God Mother when she was baptized in Dillon.She came to almost all of our high school reunions. I wish to speak to her family Please send information on how to Nancy Adkins, P.O Box 138, Livingston Montana 59047.*

Nancy Adkins - February 21 at 05:26 PM



“ 115 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Silha Funeral Home - February 19 at 11:34 AM



“ *Arrive in Style* was purchased for the family of *Ellen Anne Robinson*.



February 18 at 05:48 PM



“ *Joyful Memory* was purchased for the family of *Ellen Anne Robinson*.



February 18 at 12:28 PM

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“ Andeen A Raymond lit a candle in memory of Ellen Robinson



Andeen A Raymond - February 18 at 11:08 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Ellen Anne Robinson.



February 18 at 06:34 AM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ellen Anne Robinson.



February 17 at 07:03 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Ellen Anne Robinson.

February 17 at 07:03 PM

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“ Sue, Casey and family, I am so sorry for your loss of our beloved Grandma Ellen. She was a very special woman to many people. She took me in as part of her family, and I will be eternally grateful to have known her the way I did. My favorite memories were of when we would go on breakfast dates at CC's. She would ask me if I was ordering my popcorn chicken since that was the breakfast I ordered the first time I had been invited to go out with her. Love you always Grandma Ellen. You are so incredibly missed.

Chyna - February 17 at 06:26 PM

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“ Amanda and Linda purchased the Lavender Reflections Spray for the family of Ellen Anne Robinson.



Amanda and Linda - February 17 at 05:37 PM