



Gayle Kristin Wegner

March 17, 1947 - August 27, 2025

Gayle lost her battle with Alzheimer's on August 27, 2025.

Gayle was born in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, on March 17, 1947, to Fred and Verona Rasmussen. She attended elementary school and high school in Wauwatosa, Wisconsin. Gayle was an honored Queen of Bethel Seven of Jobs Daughters. She attended the University of Wisconsin campus in Milwaukee and graduated in 1969. At UWM Gayle was active in Alpha Omicron Pi sorority. During this time Gale met Frank Wegner, and they were married on September 7, 1968. On December 24, 1974, their son, Stephen Jon was born. Stephen preceded Gayle in death on March 12, 1994.

In her career, Gayle was in Human Resources working for Northwestern Mutual Life Insurance and Schneider National. For a time, she and a close friend started and ran an embroidery company. Gayle returned to school at University of Wisconsin-Whitewater earning a master's degree in counseling in 2000 and worked as a mental health therapist.

Gayle was an athlete. She loved sports and loved competing. If the game involved a ball she could hit, Gayle played it. She played softball and later took up golf and pickleball, but tennis was her passion. Gayle competed in USTA leagues on women's and mixed teams as well as local groups and club play. Upon retirement, Gayle and Frank moved to Surprise, Arizona because

Gayle's lifelong wish was to be somewhere where she could wear shorts all year. She achieved the pinnacle of her tennis career in 2015 when her team won the USTA National Championship for ages 65 and over.

In 2016, Gayle was diagnosed with Alzheimer's and the toughest fight of her life began. Gayle is survived by her husband, Frank of 57 years.

If you would like to make a tribute donation in Gayle's name, please click on the following link to access her dedicated site: <https://events.alz.org/fundraisers/frankwegner>

A celebration of Gayle's life will be held on November 21st, 2025 from 3:00 PM-6:00 PM at the Cimarron Center.
17100 W Clearview Blvd, Surprise, AZ 85387

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

NOV **21**. 3:00 PM - 6:00 PM (MT)

Cimarron Center
17100 W Clearview Blvd
Surprise, AZ 85387

Tribute Wall

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“ *Ashley At Simply Cremation lit a candle in memory of Gayle Kristin Wegner*



Ashley at Simply Cremation - September 03, 2025 at 02:42 PM