



## Elsa Nita Simpson

July 3, 2025

In Loving Memory of Elsa Nita Simpson (née Hunte)  
August 6, 1943 – July 3, 2025

It is with deep love and heavy hearts that we announce the passing of Elsa Nita Simpson (née Hunte), 81, of Pickering, Ontario, who passed away peacefully on July 3, 2025, after a brief illness.

Elsa was born on August 6, 1943, in Shorey Village, Barbados, to Felicia and Joseph Hunte. She spent her early years in Barbados before courageously immigrating to Canada to build a brighter future for herself and her family. In both her beloved Barbados and her adopted home of Canada, Elsa nurtured her lifelong passions for reading, physical fitness, gardening, and, above all, acts of kindness that touched everyone who knew her.

Elsa built a long career at Manulife, where she was admired for her dedication, warmth, and the friendships she formed along the way. Even after retirement, she loved

attending the annual retirees' dinners, cherishing the lasting bonds she had built over the years. Elsa found true joy in life's simple pleasures — tending her flowers, staying active with her pickleball group, and always lending a helping hand to anyone in need. Her greatest happiness, however, was found in time spent with her family. Whether cooking a big meal, sharing quiet moments over coffee, or telling stories that filled the room with laughter, Elsa made every moment special and meaningful.

Elsa was previously married to Anthony Simpson, with whom she had her loving daughters, Jan and Andrea Simpson. She is survived by them and by her grandson, Marcus Wright. Elsa is also lovingly remembered by her dear siblings Vincent Hunte, Gwendolyn Licorish (née Hunte), Cardinal Hunte, and Ivan Hunte; as well as many nieces, nephews, extended family members, and friends whose lives were brighter because of her love and generosity. She was predeceased by her parents and her beloved brothers Carl, Rudolph, Curtis, and Prince.

Family and friends will gather to celebrate Elsa's remarkable life with a funeral service on August 9, 2025, at 1 p.m. at St. Paul's on the Hill Anglican Church. Visitation will take place one hour prior to the service. Mourning colours are optional. You may also choose to wear something in shades of purple, Elsa's favourite colour.

For those unable to attend in person, the service will also be livestreamed at:  
<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCsum17AVYbckhE473d1cXSQ/live>

In lieu of flowers, donations in Elsa's memory may be made to the Canadian Cancer Society,  
[www.cancer.ca](http://www.cancer.ca).

Elsa's kind spirit, warm laughter, and selfless love will be deeply missed and forever remembered by all who knew and loved her.

# Tribute Wall



“ *My deepest sympathy to Jan, Andrea, Marcus and the entire Huntess Family. I will always remember the many family picnics and Christmas dinners where Erla would make one of my favourite dishes, Black Pudding, always served with a smile. May you feel God's comforting arms embracing you during this difficult season.*  
*Jennifer Grant*

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**Jennifer Grant** - August 09, 2025 at 10:55 PM



“ *My deepest condolences to Jan, Andrea and the entire Hunte's family. Thinking of you during this difficult time, my prayer is that you will find comfort as you remember all of the special memories shared throughout the years.*

*With Love*  
*Tracey Grant*

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**Tracey Grant** - August 08, 2025 at 07:19 PM



“ *Greetings from Barbados! It's with profound sadness that I learnt of the passing of Elsa Simpson affectionately called "Erla". I'm offering my sincere condolences to "My in Laws" Bertie, Gwen, Ken and Winston and your spouses, children and their children. Erla played a key role in my settling in to Canada at the age of 19. May her soul rest in peace.*

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**Cynthia Hunte** - July 24, 2025 at 09:46 PM

YM

“ *Condolences to Elsa’s family. I know that you all will miss her terribly and my heart goes out to you all. Peace!*  
Y. Myers



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**yvonne Myers** - July 24, 2025 at 07:34 PM

YC

“ *Yvonne Cheltenham' lit a candle in memory of Elsa Simpson*



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**Yvonne Cheltenham'** - July 24, 2025 at 01:30 PM

SB

“ *My deepest condolences to the Hunte and Simpson family. May Elsa RIP and rise in glory.*



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**Shirley Best** - July 23, 2025 at 10:46 PM

YM

“ *Elsa Simpson, our memorable relationship began many years ago at The Manufacturers Life Insurance Company now ManuLife Financial. Then came retirement and our yearly ManuLife Financial Quarter Century Club dinners. This was a special event where we would meet our old friends again and catch up on life. Those were the days. Then COVID19 came and nothing was the same again - no more Quarter Century dinners - no more old friends to see and catch up with.*

*Thank you for the memories of those memorable years. I can also remember that special little chuckle you had at the end of each sentence.*

*Rest In Peace, Elsa, until we meet again.*

*Yvonne Myers*

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**yvonne Myers** - July 23, 2025 at 05:05 PM

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*My condolences to the family. I remember when I first emigrated I spent some time with Elsa and her family. May she rest in peace*

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**Yvonne Cheltenham'** - July 24, 2025 at 12:23 PM

MM

*My Sincerest Condolences to the entire family of Elsa. May she Rest In Peace and Rise in Glory.  
Marsene Newton Maloney*

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**Marsene Newton Maloney** - July 26, 2025 at 07:53 PM

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*My deepest Condolence to Jan ,Andrea and the rest of the Simpson and Hunte family on the passing of our dear friend Erla. May God comfort you at this difficult time. May she rest in peace 🙏*

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**Noreen D'Andrade** - July 30, 2025 at 08:48 AM