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Building a Legacy

The Alaska Women's Hall of Fame (AKWHOF) began in 2008 as a collaborative project of several non-profits and a collection of Alaskan women. Eighteen years later, we continue to operate as a volunteer-run, donation supported organization.

Our success is a testament to our communities' investment in honoring the women who have shaped our lives in Alaska.
Your support is critical to our success.

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Financial donations are used to guarantee our virtual hall, alaskawomenshalloffame.org, a secure environment.
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Your nominations to the Alaska Women's Hall of Fame continue to reflect the diversity of our communities.
For information on how to nominate, visit the website. Nominations for the Class of 2027 open October 20, 2026.
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If you are interested in writing a biography, email the AKWHOF at alaskawhof@gmail.com.
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Welcome!

Welcome to the eighteenth year of the Alaska Women's Hall of Fame (AKWHOF). We are pleased to present ten women to be inducted. The highlight of the ceremony is to celebrate the women who have influenced the direction of Alaska!

Our virtual "Hall of Fame" is our web site, alaskawomenshalloffame.org. It includes the biographies and photos of the 256 honorees who have been inducted since 2009.

Thank you to our nominators. We encourage everyone to nominate a woman using the nomination form on our web site. The nomination process for 2027 will open October 20th. Think of a woman who has inspired you and nominate her for induction next year!

Thank you to the many women in the AKWHOF, who continue to volunteer on our Selection Committee, serve on the board and write and proof biographies. To those who served on the Selection Committee. Thank you, you did a great job!

Thank you to all who have donated generously to the AKWHOF over the years. Thank you to the Zonta Club of Anchorage and our individual donors, whose contributions give us the capability to continue. You are the heart of our success. You can contribute on our website or with a check.

A very special thank you to Jonathan Butzke, owner of Talking Circle Media, who has volunteered to video record this ceremony as well as the ceremonies in the past. The videos can be view on our web site. He is the driving force behind preserving the history of the women of Alaska.

Thank you to our volunteer Board of Directors who manage the web site, participate in selection, writing and proofing the biographies, maintaining communications with inductees and their families, preparing the program, raising money and planning and executing this annual celebration.

Thank you for joining us,

Pamela Kendrick

President, on behalf of the AKWHOF Board of Directors

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Carrie (Kaligtok) Anvil

1925 – 2015

Education & Tribal Judge

Carrie Kaligtok Anvil was born in western Alaska in 1925. She was one of 18 children raised in a traditional Yup'ik family. Her parents adopted nine of their children after their families had died in the flu epidemic.

Then the blended family moved to Togiak where her father became the Chief and Anvil learned the English language from a supportive Public Health nurse.

Later Anvil became the first Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) teacher hired in the community. She taught school lessons as well as Yup'ik history, law and cultural practices. She showed students how to sew parkas and qaspeqs (kuspuks) and how to speak the Yup'ik language.

In 1980, Anvil was named the first Tribal Judge of Togiak. She served in this role for 30 years. The major responsibility of the Tribal Judge is to oversee the protection families through the implementation of the Indian Child Welfare Act and the Indian Self Determination Act. These laws articulate the sovereignty of the people to direct their community.

The 1980s were a challenging period for this work because many students had been sent to boarding schools, where their language and customs were minimized or forbidden. When students returned to Togiak they had lost many of their cultural practices. She took up the role of culture bearer with renewed energy. She taught them their Yup'ik language and made sure they knew how to fish, hunt and gather food for their families.

When her parents passed, Anvil was named the Chief of the Yup'ik people of Togiak, which is a position she held until her death in 2015.

Elizabeth “Betsy” Arnold

1959 - 2026

Statewide and National Journalism

Elizabeth Arnold dedicated her life to telling Alaska's stories and ensuring future generations of Alaskan journalists would do the same. An award-winning National Public Radio (NPR) correspondent, educator, and mentor, she built a career that took her from rural Alaska to the halls of Congress and back again, with stories that reflect the issues that Alaskans hold dearly.

Arnold began her journalism career in Bethel at the Tundra Drums, where she worked as a typesetter, reporter, and just about everything else a small-town newspaper required. She spent summers on the Bristol Bay fishing grounds before joining KTOO Public Media in Juneau, where her reporting launched a distinguished career with NPR. Following the 1989 Exxon Valdez oil spill, Arnold became one of the nation's leading voices covering Alaska's environmental and political issues. She later reported on Congress, presidential campaigns, climate change, and Arctic expeditions that brought the North to audiences around the world.

In 2009, Arnold joined the University of Alaska Anchorage as a journalism professor and later department chair. There, she inspired and mentored hundreds of students, many of whom now serve in newsrooms across Alaska. Through her teaching, she championed ethical journalism, rigorous reporting, and accurate coverage of Alaska's people, cultures, and rapidly changing environment.

Beyond the classroom, Arnold worked tirelessly to strengthen Alaska's news ecosystem. She was a founding leader of both the Alaska News Coalition and the Alaska Center for Excellence in Journalism and helped establish the Reporter Exchange Program, expanding reporting capacity throughout the state and fostering the next generation of Alaska journalists.

Elizabeth Arnold's legacy lives on in the stories reported, the reporters she mentored, and the stronger, more resilient journalism community she helped build. Her work ensured that Alaska's voices, challenges, and triumphs would be heard far beyond its borders while inspiring countless Alaskans to tell those stories themselves.

Diane (Shahin) Carpenter

1932 - 2025

Community Organizer

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Carpenter was born in Florida, attended university and met her husband Bob in Kentucky. They moved their young family to Ketchikan, Alaska in the early 1950s before settling in Bethel and later homesteading in Stony River.

Carpenter was instrumental in the creation of many valuable programs in service to Alaskans and especially Alaskan women. She led the incorporation of townships in order to create local schools so school-aged children could stay in their villages; coordinated the construction of power plants and airstrips; founded women's shelters and safe houses, including the Tundra Women's Coalition; led early rural electrification efforts including the formation of the Alaska Village Electric Cooperative (AVEC); and advocated for more equitable health and safety services for rural communities, just to name a few.

Diane spent the final years of her life organizing her own historical records. The final collection includes over 700 documents covering 35 different subjects and will be publicly available soon at the Alaska and Polar Regions Collection and Archives of the Elmer E. Rasmuson Library at the University of Alaska Fairbanks.

When asked in 2024 why she became so involved in early rural electrification efforts, Carpenter was reflective for a moment before replying, "Because I could… and if I didn't, who would?"

After a long battle with cancer, Carpenter passed away peacefully at home in Alamos, Mexico, surrounded by her family and friends in March 2025.

Carpenter accomplished so much in her lifetime, but perhaps her most impactful legacy is her lived example of the power we each have to organize meaningful investments in our communities — that collaboration, determination and political will can overcome seemingly impossible challenges.

Joyce Elaine (Peterson) Galleher

1929 - 2019

Businesswoman, Community Involvement

From her first Alaskan home near "Honey Bucket Lake" in Bethel with her husband, Richard "Dick" Galleher, to co-owning and operating a bush airline serving Western Alaska, Galleher was best known for "blooming where she was planted"—even in the tundra!

Galleher became involved everywhere she lived—Bethel, Dillingham, Red Devil Mine, Anchorage, and Nome. She represented her communities at the local, state, and national levels through boards and commissions, civic involvement, and community business development. "Fly the Arctic Before It's Paved" was the motto for Munz Northern Airlines. A humorous slogan, but in many ways Galleher truly did "pave" the way through her acts of service, demonstrating every day what it meant to be a directed yet compassionate member of the community.

For Family. To her family, she was a strong, independent, successful businesswoman, a writer, a caring friend, and a fun, dedicated mother to Gail, Brian, and Blaine, with a lifelong love of learning.

For Community. Galleher was an organizer and active participant with groups like the Alaska Visitors Association, Chamber of Commerce, Toastmistress, and as a Cub Scout den-mother. She embraced being “unofficial host” to many visitors who came to Nome.

For Alaska -- Territory and State. Galleher was honored to serve on citizen commissions, including the Alaska Commission on the Status of Women, the Alaska Transportation Planning Commission, and the Alaska Tourist Advisory Board. Galleher became one of the few women serving on a corporate board of directors, for Alascom and Pacific Telecom. In 2014 the Alaska Air Carriers Association presented Galleher with the Aviation Legend Award.

A modern woman with old-world values, sensibility, and a compassionate heart, Galleher truly "bloomed where she was planted" and spread seeds of inspiration wherever she went.

Jana Beth Hayenga

Business and Philanthophy

Jana Beth Hayenga is a trailblazing entrepreneur whose impactful journey in Alaska has significantly shaped the local community socially, culturally, and economically.

Born on November4,1952, in Shreveport, Louisiana, Jana was raised with strong values of hardwork and education, instilled inh er by her parents, Betty and Ralph Hayenga. After earning her degree in elementary education from the University of Minnesota,sher ecognized the importance of understanding community needs in effective business leadership.

In 1980, Jana and her sister, Jo Michalski,opened retail businesses in Anchorage, breaking barriers in a predominantly male industry and inspiring a new generation of women entrepreneurs. For more than four decades, she built thriving retail spaces that not only contributed to the local economy but also provided flexible employment opportunities for women, including retired teachers. By creating a welcoming hub for local artisans, Hayenga fostered a rich appreciation for the arts and transformed her businesses into gathering places for creativity.

Hayenga’s commitment to community service extends beyond her commercial success. She dedicates her time to local causes, volunteering with organizations like the YWCA Alaska, where she has played a pivotal role in empowering the next generation of female leaders. Her philanthropic efforts earned her numerous accolades, including the YWCA Philanthropist of the Year and now induction into the Alaska Business Hall of Fame.

As she transitions into retirement, Hayenga's legacy remains deeply embedded in the fabric of Alaska life. Her courage, compassion, and unwavering dedication to uplifting others continue to inspire many, proving that one person's commitment to community engagement can create lasting positive change. Her journey highlights the profound impact of leadership and service, illuminating the path for future generations to pursue their dreams with determination and heart.

Linda Hulbert

Education and Philanthropy

Linda Hulbert has dedicated her life to Alaska and its people through private-sector work, public service, education advocacy, and philanthropy.

Born in 1944 near New York City, she graduated from Springfield College in western Massachusetts in 1965 with a degree in physical education. There she met John Hulbert, who became the love of her life. After traveling and working in western Europe, the couple moved to Alaska in 1968, driving the Alaska Highway in a white and green Volkswagen van with all their possessions.

Their early years in Alaska began modestly. They lived in a trailer near the University of Alaska Fairbanks (UAF) while John taught writing and she began working with non-profit organizations. She developed a lifelong passion for strengthening Alaska's communities and institutions. They also formed a close relationship with noted Alaskan poet John Haines. Early in her Alaska experience, she declared that Alaska would be her permanent home, a commitment she has maintained.

Linda and John raised their children, Jaina and Erik, in Fairbanks. Following John's death in 1983, she became a single parent, and sole breadwinner. Years later, she joined New York Life Insurance Company where she recently (2026) celebrated 35 years as an agent, specializing in financial services, estate planning, and charitable giving

Education became one of Hulbert's central causes. She advocated tirelessly for adult basic education and academic and technical educational opportunities and served on numerous state boards and commissions appointed by Alaska governors. Through personal philanthropy, client introductions, and work with the New York Life Foundation, her efforts resulted in substantial charitable support in Alaska, particularly educational opportunities for rural students.

Olinka “Olga” Arrsamquq Michael

1916—1979

First North American
Eastern Orthodox Saint

Saint Olga Michael of Kwethluk, known in Yup’ik as Arrsamquq, was born on February 3, 1916, in the village of Kwethluk. She was formed by both the Eastern Orthodox faith and the traditional life of her Yup’ik people; she learned prayer, hospitality, sewing, cooking, and care for family and community.

She married Nicolai Michael, the village storekeeper and postmaster, who later became the Orthodox priest of Saint Nicholas Church. As Matushka, a term for the wife of a priest, Olga, she raised thirteen children and became a spiritual mother to Kwethluk. Quiet, gentle, and strong, she taught chiefly by example. Her home was always open, and she gave generously despite her family’s lack of means. She sewed clothing for those in need, baked prosphora, small loaves of leavened bread, fed the hungry, comforted the grieving, and carried the burdens of others without seeking recognition.

Saint Olga also served as a midwife. She accompanied women through childbirth and offered compassionate, unjudging care to those who had suffered abuse, sorrow, or loss. Her prayerful presence brought peace and healing.

Diagnosed with cancer in 1978, she bore her illness without complaint and died in her home on November 8, 1979. Unusual warmth thawed the river and ground for her funeral, allowing mourners to arrive, while birds appeared after their seasonal departure.

After her death, accounts of dreams, healings, and consolations spread throughout Alaska and beyond, especially among abused women, grieving families, and mothers. Her relics were uncovered in Kwethluk in 2024. The Church glorified her in June 2025 as Righteous Mother Olga of Kwethluk, Wonderworker and Matushka of All Alaska. Her life reveals that holiness may shine through hidden prayer, ordinary labor, maternal love, and selfless mercy.

Natalie Ann (Jubin) Norris

1922—2016

Dog Raising & Racing

Natalie Ann (Jubin) Norris was born January 25, 1922, in Lake Placid, New York and died in Willow, Alaska on August 28, 2016.

She graduated from Syracuse University with a BA in Sociology and Political Science. She married Earl F. Norris in 1947.

She demonstrated her passion for sled dogs early in her life. At 13, she raced a five-dog team in a snowstorm in the Adirondacks while other dog drivers got lost or didn't finish, she casually crossed the finish line. Norris had shown stamina and perseverance that would be one of her lifetime hallmarks. As a teenager she sold some of her well-trained dogs to Admiral Byrd for the US Antarctic Service Expedition and more when the US military recruited sled dogs to rescue soldiers during WWII.

After traveling cross-country by train and then steam ship with seven Malamutes and two Siberian Huskies, she arrived in Anchorage, Alaska in 1946 where Earl Norris offered to board the dogs. They married a year later. That same year they formed their Anadyr Siberian Husky Kennel/Howling Dog Farm and to focus on breeding and racing purebred dogs. Both were involved with the formation of the Alaska Sled Dog Racing Association and the Siberian Husky Club of Anchorage.

Norris was the first woman to run in the newly formed Fur Rendezvous World Championship Sled Dog Race in 1947. She ran the following year and placed second. In the 1970's she won the Women's Open North American race in Fairbanks, Alaska.

Beginning in the1950s Norris became a judge for the American Kennel Club and traveled throughout the world judging thousands of dogs. She authored many articles in local, national and international journals and magazines.

Norris and her husband raised three children on a homestead in Anchorage before moving to Willow in 1968.

CONSTANCE “Connie” TAYLOR

Community Service, Fishing, Publishing

In 1963, Connie Taylor drove her 1954 Ford to Alaska from California and never looked back. After moving to Cordova in 1966, she demonstrated her indomitable “can-do” spirit by becoming the first female seine boat captain in Prince William Sound.

During her 19-year fishing career, she also served on the boards of many fishing-related organizations, working on foundational fishing issues. Her example helped pave the way for other women to commercial fish in addition to contributing their expertise to those organizations.

Always civic-minded, Taylor was a long-time President of the Cordova Chamber of Commerce and was twice elected to the Cordova City Council. To ensure transparency of council deliberations, she insisted that Alaska’s Open Meetings Act be followed. When the Act was violated, her resulting lawsuit helped define statutory boundaries for local governments to protect the public’s interest. She also helped ensure that small businesses in Cordova were compensated following the 1989 Exxon Valdez Oil Spill.

In 1979, Taylor purchased a printing press, the Nexus, for a successful printing and publishing business. Many of the 70 books she has published thus far feature Alaskan stories and themes, helping preserve Alaska’s history as well as giving voice to the authors. At age 76, she became a published author herself with her first children’s book followed by two more, plus a variety of published poems and photographs.

Her passion for community service began another chapter at age 79, when she volunteered to lead a variety of writing classes with OLÉ! Anchorage, which provides opportunities for lifelong education. With Taylor’s encouragement, class members developed writing skills, tried new writing forms, and found success submitting their writing, photos, and illustrations for publication. A long-time member of the Benton Bay Athletic Lions Club, Connie Taylor continues to support the Lions’ mission of service.

Deborah Lee Williams

Statewide Advocacy and Government

For more than forty years, Deborah Lee Williams has made substantial, lasting statewide contributions to Alaska's remarkable communities and extraordinary natural heritage.

Raised in a modest home in Van Nuys, California, Williams learned from her loving, Depression-Era parents the importance of conserving resources, caring for community, and protecting the natural world. Family vacations consisted of camping trips on America's public lands, fostering a lifelong commitment to conservation. She also witnessed the effects of severe Los Angeles air pollution and watched her grandfather die from smoking-related emphysema, experiences that inspired her work on public health and environmental protection.

A family camping trip to Alaska in 1973 changed her life. Traveling north in the family station wagon, Williams fell in love with Alaska and resolved to make the Great Land her home. After graduating from Harvard Law School, where she co-founded the Harvard Environmental Law Review, she returned to Alaska serving the state through law, government, conservation, public health, and community leadership.

Williams helped achieve lasting improvements in air quality and tobacco control as Director of the Alaska Lung Association; expanded opportunities for Alaska youth as Director of Anchorage Youth Development Coalition; protected hundreds of thousands of acres of wildlife habitat and public lands while promoting tribal engagement and subsistence traditions as Special Assistant to the Secretary of Interior for Alaska; helped create intrastate telecommunications competition as an attorney; strengthened conservation organizations as Executive Director of the Alaska Conservation Foundation; and played a key role in restoring lands affected by the Exxon Valdez oil spill. In Rotary and other community positions, she also helped build partnerships and projects, including Anchorage's Planet Walk, that continue to enrich community life.

Honored Alumnae

From the arts and humanities to business and public policy, our alums represent our communities' diversity and outstanding achievements. Here are the 256 women who make the Alaska Women's Hall of Fame

Aanes, Audrey 2012
Abraham, Elaine 2011
Adams, Alberta Daisy 2010
Alexander, Vera 2024
Alowa, Annie Aghnaqa 2026
Anderson, Monica 2020
Andrews, Eleanor 2014
Andrewuk, Changunak “Antisartoo” Sinrock Mary 2009
Angvik, Jane 2014
Anvil, Carrie (Kaligtok) 2026
Arnold, Elizabeth “Betsy”
Athanas, Reyne 2020
Atwood, Evangeline 2009
Becker, Adeleieid
Belcher, Dixie 2017
Beltz, Arne 2013
Bergt, Laura Mae 2015
Berner, Barbara 2022
Bersch, Gretchen 2012
Bitter, Daisy Lee 2015
Black, Lydia 2009
Blanchard, Virginia 2019
Blumenstein, Rita 2009
Boochever, Connie 2012
Brady, Judith “Judy” 2013
Branson, Pat 2022
Brown, Alice 2010
Brown, Carolyn 2023
Brown, Daphne 2013
Brown, May Kathryn “Kay” 2017
Brown, Tikasuk “Emily” 2009
Buchholdt, Thelma 2009
Bullock, Edith 2009
Butcher, Susan 2009
Caminer, Judith 2025
Carlo, Poldine 2018
Carpenter, Diane (Shahin) 2026
Carroll, Marie Qaqaun 2019
Cashman, Ellen “Nellie” 2009
Clark, Orah Dee 2009
Clay, L. Arlene “Buddy” 2015
Comeau,Carol 2009
Covington, Carolyn 2013
Coyle, Agnes 2021
Crawford Milner, Brideen 2021
Crittenden, Katharine “Kit” 2011
Crosson, Marvel 2009
Crumb, Jeanmarie 2018
Cuddy, Betti 2011
Cuddy, Lucy Evely 2015
Curda, Linda 2021
D’Amico, Victoria "Vicki" 2023
Dalton, Kathleen Michael “Mike” 2016
Darlin, Marie 2015
Dauenhauer, Nora Marks 2010
Davis, Bettye 2010
Davis, Carol Esse Beery 2024
Davis, Etheldra “Thel” Sampson 2022
de Laguna, Frederica 2018
Delapp,Tina Marie Davis 2024
Dickerson, Mahala Ashley 2009
Doty, Barbara Jean 2024
Dunham, Beverely 2014
Easley, Paula 2017
Egan, Neva 2009
Eliassen, Sarah 2020
Elmore, Fran 2009
Elsner, Elizabeth 2017
Epperson, Mary Laurie 2018
Estus, Joaqlin 2025
Fabe, Dana 2009
Fanning, Kay 2009
Farnsworth, Dolly 2015
Fate, Mary Jane 2014
Ferguson, April 2020
Fischer, Helen 2009
Fleischer, Nan Elaine “Lanie” 2011
Floyd, Carolyn 2012
Flynn, Heather 2019

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Frey, Lucy 2009
Galleher, Joyce Elaine (Peterson) 2026
Gottlieb, Katherine, 2025
Goodman, Margaret "Norma" 2020
Gross, Ann "Nancy" 2020
Grummett, Karleen 2000
Green, Alice Stevenson 2018
Guinn, Nora Venes 2009
Haaland, Dorothy Hawes 2009
Harada, Hiroko 2023
Harper, Sandra "Sandy" 2016
Harrison, Lorene 2009
Hartz, Lynn 2021
Hatcher, Cornelia 2009
Hayenga, Jana Beth 2026
Heath, Hazel 2010
Heckman, Jyotsna "Jo" (Lal) 2024
Helms, Juanita Lou 2016
Hensley,Abigale "Abbe" 2019
Hermann, Mildred Robinson 2009
Hickel, Ermalee 2021
Hitchins, Diddy 2013
Hoffman, Beverly "Kikikaaq" 2019
Holloway, Shirley 2010
Hood, Barbara Joan 2021
Hope, Lucile 2021
Horning, Lorrie Louise 2018
Hout, Joerene Savikko 2011 Howard, Frances 2009
Hudson, Wilda 2012
Hulbert, Linda 2006
Hughes, Mary K. 2019
Hunt, Karen L. 2013
Hunter, Celia 2009
Hurley, Katie 2009
Hurst, Joan 2013
Isabell, Dorothy 2023
Itta-Lee, Brenda Tiggausina 2022
James, Sarah Agnes 2009
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Jenne, Crystal Brilliant 2016
John, Katie 2014
Johnson, Ada 2023
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Johnson, Janis 2024
Johnson, Margy K 2016
Johnson, Marlene 2010
Johnstone, Alice 2015
Jones, Carolyn 2012
Jones, Dorothy 2013
Jones, Eliza 2016
Jones, Jewell 2013
Jonrowe, Dee Dee Ann 2022
Joyce, Mary 2013
Kaplan, Diane 2023
Keats, Della 2009
Kellogg, Louise 2012
King, Mary Lou 2018
Kull, Alice Dove 2015
Lahdenpera, V. Kay 2014
Langdon, Thelma 2013
Lanier, Anne 2016
Lawer, Elizabeth "Betsy" 2019
Leask, Janie 2014
Lewis, Lena Morrow 2010
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Lund, Ethel 2010
MacLean, Edna 2018 Marston, Wilda 2009 McBride, Rhonda 2024 McCabe, Janet 2016
McSmith, Blanche 2009 Meade, Marie 2015
Mears, Jennifer "Jane" 2020
Metcalf, Vera K. 2019
Michael, Olinka "Olga" 2026
Michalski, Jo 2016
Moore, Nellie Ann "Iriqtaq" Ward 2024
Morgan, Emily 2013
Morgan, Lael 2011 Moulton, Ruth E. 2013 Mullen, Marge 2010 Mullen, Peggy 2020
Munoz, Rie 2009
Murie, Margaret 2021
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Nienhueser, Helen 2010
Nordale, Katherine 2009
Nordale, Mary Anita 2024
Norris, Natalie Ann (Jubin) 2026 Ost, Ruth Elin Hall 2011
Owens, Tennys Thornton 2017
Page, Dorothy 2018
Palin, Sarah 2009
Paneok, Ellen 2012
Parent, Elizabeth “Betty” 2017
Parker, Lisa 2025
Parker, Rebecca 2022
Paul, Tamaree, Matilda “Tillie” 2025
Peratrovich, Elizabeth 2009
Perdue, Karen 2022
Pete, Mary Ciuniq 2019
Peterson, Leah Webster 2011
Petrie, Esther 2023
Petrivelli, Alice 2016
Phillips, Ramona Gail 2015
Poulson, Sandy 2020
Pratt, Verna E. 2009
Pugh, Margaret 2019
Quigly, Fannie 2025
Rasmuson, Cathryn “Cathy” 2017
Rasmuson, Mary Louise 2009
Richards, Sharon 2012
Riddles, Libby 2023
Ridgway, Michelle “Mish” 2018
Roberts, Cindy 2021
Roderick, Martha 2011
Rofkar, Teri May 2017
Rose, Beatrice “Bea” 2018
Rose, Frances Helaine 2020
Rowan, Irene 2012
Rudd, Lisa 2009
Ruddy, Susan 2012
Rutherford, Martha "Marty" 2023
Ryan, Irene 2009
Sargento, Elsa Malapit 2017
Schaible, Grace Berg 2010
Schmidt, Ruth Anne Marie 2015
Scott, Jo Ryman 2010
Scott, Nell 2010
Selkregg, Lidia 2009
Seller, Kathryn Dyakanoff 2017
Shelikof, Natalya 2009
Sherif, Sue 2025
Singleton, Rosalyn 2025
Sisters of Providence 2009
Slajer, Judith Anne “Judi” 2020
Smith, Barbara Sweetland 2014
Solomon, Hannah 2009
Staten, Shirley Mae 2016
Stevens, Ann Mary 2015
Sturgulewski, Arliss 2009
Swan, Clare 2011
Swartz, Carol 2017
Sweeney, Dora 2009
Sydnam, Nancy 2016
Taylor, Constance 2026
Taylor, Francine Lastufka 2014
Thomas, Mary Taylor “Tay” 2010
Tileston, Peg 2010
Toomey, Sheila 2022
Tower, Elizabeth Ann “Betsy” 2010
Ulmer, Fran 2009
Urbach, Dorothy 2025
Utter, Pauline 2012
von Zesch, Leonie 2012
Voth, Elvira 2015
Waghiyi, Viola “Vi” 2024
Warden, Mary Ann 2021
Whaley, Helen Stoddard 2011
Wien, Ada 2009
Williams, Deborah Lee 2026
Wohlforth, Caroline 2011
Wolf, Patricia B. 2011
Wolfe, Gertrude M. 2014
Wood, Virginia Hill “Ginny” 2010
Worl, Rosita 2012
Wright, Roxanna 2022
Wunnicke, Esther 2009

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