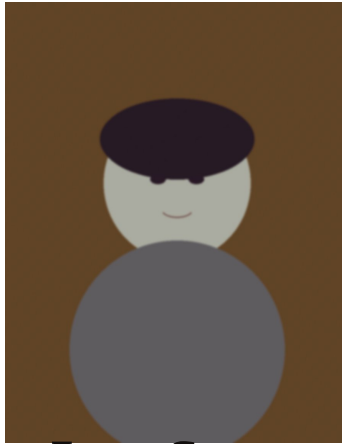




Evelyn Lou Summerfield

June 3, 1952 - August 11, 2025

Anchorage, Alaska

Evelyn Lou Summerfield, 73, of Anchorage, died on August 11, 2025. Born on June 3, 1952 and raised among Irish-American manners that never needed a speech. She learned that neighborhoods remember who helps without being asked.

She sorted tinplate until grades agreed and pride could return. A tinplate sorter chalk stub wiped clean preferred work over speeches. Colleagues still mention a tinplate sorter chalk stub wiped clean.

She and William married in 1979 and raised two sons without needing an audience. After William's death in 2018, she held to quiet habits-coffee before dawn, a tended yard, a voice on the phone that still checked in.

Neighbors remember snow shoveled past the corner that was not required. She preferred the hour before a town fully wakes. Anchorage was home enough that she never rehearsed an introduction. The work gloves still keep the shape of a grip.

What remains is not a legend but a practice: showing up, keeping a promise, leaving a place better than you found it. Her life was the kind America is built from and too often forgets to name.

Services

A quiet remembrance in Anchorage. Those who wish may give to a neighborhood library, food pantry, or workers' aid fund instead of flowers.

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