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Suzanne Bouchard, a prominent member of the Societe Francaise de St. Louis, St. Louis Art Museum, and Missouri Botanical Garden, died May 15, 2026 at her home in Clayton MO following a long bout with cancer.

Ms. Bouchard, 81, was born in St. Louis, the daughter of Christine and George Eichelsbauch. She graduated from Mount St. Mary's College in California with a degree in social work and worked for the Los Angeles County Commission on Human Relations. In 1970, she married Lee Bouchard; they were happily married for 47 years until his death in 2017. They moved to a home in Hillsboro, Mo., in 1979 to care for her parents. She cared for them and, later for her aunt Joan Lochhead, until their deaths.

The Bouchards were active in their Jefferson County community where they became close friends with Giuseppe Piezzavento, owner of their favorite restaurant, Trattoria Guiseppe in Imperial, Mo. They also maintained a home in St. Louis's Central West End.

Ms. Bouchard spoke French fluently and was a long-time member, director and event planner extraordinaire of the Société Francaise de St. Louis. She is survived by her sister, Joan Keyzers, of Malibu, CA; cousin Katherine Lochhead of Clayton; and her late husband's daughter, Klæe Baertschi, of Ontario, Canada.

She is also survived by her many dear friends, including Kathy Driscoll, Laura and Roland Evans, Isabelle Heibreder, Ikue and Iris Fujikawa, Marian Mehan, Annamarie Nechita, Mary Ann and Michael O'Reily, Jeffrey Senter, Ben Slodkowski, and Charlotte Stone.

Suzanne Bouchard was best known for making her friends feel like family, and treating everyone -- from garage parking assistants, to window washers, to caregivers -- with respect, kindness and caring.

In lieu of flowers or trees please donate to one of her favorite organizations: the Alliance Francaise de St. Louis, the Société Francaise de St. Louis, the St. Louis Art Museum or a charity of your choice.

Tribute Wall

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“ *She and her husband were very kind people. So sorry to hear of her passing.* ”

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