



Margaret Hess

July 18, 1916 - December 17, 2010

Margaret Hess was born on July 18, 1916 to Edward and Esther (Smith) Peterson in Aitken County, MN. She passed away on December 17, 2010, at the age of 94, at her home in Wadena. Margaret Peterson was united in marriage with Donald Wayne Hess on October 24, 1941, in her parent's home in Verndale. They lived in the Verndale and Wadena area all but the 24 years they resided in Park Rapids. She was a homemaker who collected dolls and salt & pepper shakers. She loved poetry, was an avid gardener, and even though Margaret was nearly blind, she continued to enjoy life, knitting, and crocheting by touch. She loved spending time with her many nieces and nephews, as well as her extended family. Margaret taught Sunday School for many years and was a member of the Homemakers Club. Margaret was preceded in death by her parents Edward and Esther; brothers Arnold, Russell, and Glen; and her sister Geneva. She is survived by her loving husband of over 69 years, Don, of Wadena; sisters Vera (Elmer) Bounds, of Wadena, and Mary (Leo) Burke of Verndale; many beloved nieces, nephews, great-nieces and great-nephews; and a host of friends. Funeral services were held at 2:00 p.m. on December 23, 2010, at the Church of Christ in Wadena, with Pastor Scott Warne officiating. Interment was in Greenlawn Cemetery in Verndale.

Tribute Wall

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“ Margaret was a fun-loving person. She was a great cook. I enjoyed walking through her flower gardens with her and learning about the flowers and plants. It was a joy to hear her stories about the past. Margaret, your memory will live on in our hearts. We will miss you.

Kristi (Hess) Tande - December 17, 2010 at 12:00 AM

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“ When Krisi and I were dating, Don and Margaret met us for lunch at the Fry'n Pan restaurant. From the beginning, they not only accepted me, but became more like my own aunt and uncle. Margaret was nearly the same age as my mother, and though Alzheimer's masked mom's personality, her and Margaret got along famously. They both had similar lives, farming alongside their husbands, and a fiesty side that allowed them to deal with whatever life dealt them. I always looked forward to her hugs, and to great conversation. Kristi and I will miss her greatly.

Harmen Tande - December 17, 2010 at 12:00 AM

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“ Margaret was one of the sweetest women I have ever known. She was very close to my mother, Mildred Condiff, who just passed on Nov 25th. They were both the kind of women who understood relationships and valued them as precious and worthy of great attention. She had a lovely smile that beamed and a quiet way of conveying her thoughts. But when the twinkle came to her eyes, you knew she was going to surprise you with a moment of "outspokenness". I was sorry she was not able to attend mom's services, as I guessed that meant I would likely not see her again until heaven, but I will see her there! My love to Don and the family. She will make a lovely angel!!!

Sue & Carl Nippert - December 17, 2010 at 12:00 AM

LE

“ Margaret had great influence in my life with all her hobbies that she shared with me. There are many treasured memories over the last 50 years. I'll miss her!

Leann - December 17, 2010 at 12:00 AM