



Margaret A. Chesser

June 29, 1946 - February 16, 2026

Margaret Ann (Logue) Chesser of Chandlerville, Illinois, passed away peacefully at home on Monday, February 16, 2026. She was born on June 29, 1946 in Chandlerville to John William and Margery Ellen (Hixon) Logue. On January 7, 1966 she married Johnny Benjamin Chesser.

Margaret is survived by her husband; daughters, Johnna (Rocky) Snyder, Shelly (Rod) Taylor, Della Leinberger (companion, Jim Hughes), and Holly Force; grandchildren, JR Lonergan, Sawyer (Becca) Snyder, Tanner (Nicole) Force, Ellen Force, Kaylee Leinberger, and Lucas Leinberger; and 8 great-grandchildren. Also surviving is her sister, Emma Jean Schappaugh of Manito; sisters-in-law, Trudy Williams and Karen (Jim) Spears; and many nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents; in-laws, Hank and Vivian Richard; daughter, Kara; son-in-law, Joe Leinberger; grandson, Trent Taylor; and siblings, Bill, Donna, Darlene, and Dianna.

Margaret worked many jobs in her life that mostly served others in the community. Her greatest job was being the best mom and homemaker for her family. Growing up, she taught her daughters many things, but most importantly how to cook and bake. Her family was very important to her and you could see the love she had for each and every one of them in her actions, from never missing a game growing up or just being an ear to listen or a shoulder to cry on when life wasn't going our way.

Our mom loved watching sports, especially the Chicago Cubs and, back in the day, the Chicago Bulls with Michael Jordan. She took them pretty seriously, so

she would get a little upset if dad asked her if the Cubs scored a touchdown. Margaret spent a lot of time taking care of the elderly in the neighborhood and babysitting while we were growing up, so when she became ill, it was a privilege to take care of her. We had the best role model. In the end, she went quickly and peacefully.

Our mom was never one looking for recognition or to be in the spotlight. With that being said, she wanted no services, but we will have a celebration of her life and have a meal at Duke & Joannie's on Main Street in Chandlerville on Saturday, February 21, 2026 beginning at 11:00 a.m. for all who can come to pay respects and share their memories of our beautiful mom. Garrett Shores has graciously offered to provide fried chicken and fish if anyone would like to donate to the meal. Garrett is a special part of our family and would stop in to keep mom on her toes and deliver food for mom and dad when she got sick. We are forever grateful for his love for mom.

Memorial donations may be made in Margaret's name to Cass-Schuyler Hospice or Chandlerville American Legion Auxiliary. Online condolences can be left for her family at www.hurleyfh.com.

Lintner-Hurley Funeral Home in Chandlerville is in charge of arrangements.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

FEB 21. 11:00 AM (CT)

Duke and Joanie's Bar and Grill
216 S Main
Chandlerville, IL 62627

Tribute Wall

TJ

“ Prayers of love and comfort to The Chesser Family. Margaret was always so kind and sweet, especially to my grandkids Jaycee and Knox. Loved her smile and such a beautiful soul.

Tracy and Muke Johnson - February 26 at 02:59 PM

HE

“ Our sympathy to Jonnnny Ben and family, Maragerer always ha a smile and I wmiss seeing her drive by💕 Sincerely, Hazel and Milton

Hazel Edge - February 21 at 09:34 PM

ML

“ I knew Margaret mostly through her husband Benny and her Daughters who have made occasional visits to my winery. She was always pleasant and seemed to be the guiding force of her family. May God rest her soul and give peace to her family and those she is leaving behind.

Mark Lounsberry - February 21 at 01:08 PM

DD

“ So sorry, sending deepest condolences. Margaret was such a behind the scenes kind of gal never wanted to be praised for all the work that she did for the community. May you rest in eternal peace .

Denise Dempsey - February 21 at 07:01 AM

TC

Thinking of you all. Praying God will wrap His arms around you during this difficult time.

Tonie Beard Culves - February 22 at 11:34 AM

HE

Our sympathy to Johnny Ben and family. We will miss seeing her drive by. Sincerely, Hazel and Milton

Hazel Edge - February 22 at 10:18 PM

BM

“ *Bob & Lynne McDaniel lit a candle in memory of Margaret Chesser*



Bob & Lynne McDaniel - February 20 at 12:21 PM

AS

“ *I'm so sorry for your loss. Deepest sympathy to you all. Sincerely, Anita Leinberger Stephans*

Anita Stephans - February 20 at 12:13 AM

JT

“ *Such a sweet person, who passed that trait onto her girls. I believe Margaret served as a chaperon on one of our FHA trips. So very sorry for your loss. Sending prayers & hugs.to all the family. Judy Taylor*

Judy Taylor - February 19 at 10:01 PM

NF

“ *Nannen and Davies family. purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Margaret A. Chesser.*



Nannen and Davies family. - February 19 at 02:28 PM

TS

“ Terry S. purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Margaret A. Chesser.



Terry S. - February 18 at 07:14 PM

RB

“ Margaret Ann was a wonderful person, when our son passed we had several calming talks together. We are forever grateful for her kindness.

Bill and Robin Baughman



Robin Baughman - February 18 at 06:09 PM

TH

“ Terni Hinrichs lit a candle in memory of Margaret Chesser



Terni Hinrichs - February 18 at 03:21 PM

CH

“ So sorry to hear of Margaret's passing. She was always so friendly and happy. Condolences to all of the family. Cheryl Hahn

Cheryl Hahn - February 18 at 12:37 PM

BF

“ Belle Fletcher-Reed lit a candle in memory of Margaret Chesser



Belle Fletcher-Reed - February 18 at 12:02 PM

YF

“ Your Swamp Family purchased the Basket Full of Wishes for the family of Margaret A. Chesser.



Your Swamp Family - February 18 at 11:07 AM

TR

“ Margaret was a blessing to our family. She helped care for our aunt and our mother. We were grateful to have known her. She was a special lady. She will be missed. My heart goes out to all of her family. Praying for their comfort.

Tricia Ruppel - February 18 at 10:32 AM

AF

“ Allen Janice Thomas and families planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Margaret A. Chesser.

Allen Janice Thomas and families - February 18 at 09:58 AM

AF

“ *Allen Janice Thomas and families purchased the Be My Love Bouquet with Red Roses for the family of Margaret A. Chesser.*



Allen Janice Thomas and families - February 18 at 09:58 AM