



Margaret Ruth Swaar

March 18, 1932 - March 29, 2021

Margaret Ruth Swaar, 89, of Mason City passed away on Monday, March 29, 2021 at Luther Oaks Assisted Living in Bloomington. She was born on March 18, 1932 in Mason City to Hubbard and Nellie (Wilson) Lewis. On July 6, 1952 on the family farm in Mason City, she married Donald Swaar who survives. She is also survived by their 3 children: David (Amy) Swaar of Mason City, Michael (Joan) Swaar of Mason City and Meri (John) van Bragt of Normal, 9 grandchildren: Michael, Ashley, Ryan, Blake, Dane, Daniel, Donieka, Sierra, and Maggie, 17 great grandchildren and many nieces, nephews and cousins. Margaret was preceded in death by her parents, sister Pauline Elrod, 2 brothers: Cargill and Eugene Lewis and granddaughter-in-law Darcy Swaar. Margaret was a 1950 graduate of Mason City High School and a 1953 graduate of Springfield Memorial Hospital Nursing School with her RN. She worked as a geriatric and surgical nurse, a private duty nurse, at the Christian Care Nursing Home in Mason City, doing health surveys for insurance, selling Mary Kay and working as a farm wife on the family farm. She was a member of the United Presbyterian Church in Mason City and was on the trustee board, taught Sunday school, woman's church fellowship and headed eggroll day. Margaret loved taking the whole family to the Lake of the Ozarks every year for a big family vacation. Her greatest joys were her children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Cremation rites have been accorded. Memorial contributions may be made to the United Presbyterian Church of Mason City or Luther Oaks Assisted Living.

Online condolences can be left at www.hurleyfh.com. Hurley Funeral Home in Mason City is in charge of helping the family with arrangements.

Tribute Wall



“ *Margaret Ruth Swaar*

October 12, 2022 at 03:07 PM



“ *LIZZ LEAMON lit a candle in memory of Margaret Ruth Swaar*



LIZZ LEAMON - June 03, 2021 at 09:30 AM



“ *John and I admire Margaret and Don as a team and as individuals. They were such a wonderful influence at UPC and in the Mason City community! I don't think that I ever saw Margaret when she didn't look nice. Even when she and Don were painting cabinets in the church or she was heading up so, so many funeral dinners, she was always well organized and maintained her composure. She will be missed by so many!*

Carol Witts - April 03, 2021 at 12:36 PM



“ *Deep sympathy for the family. I remember visiting Margaret and Don when they lived next to my grandparents. She was a very sweet, lovely lady.*

Martha Konzelman - April 01, 2021 at 06:49 PM

RR

“ *My deepest sympathy to Don and rest of the family. We remember Margaret's beautiful smile and sweet personality.*

Randy Rutledge - March 31, 2021 at 07:38 PM

HS

“ *We lived close to each other in the country for many years and learned what it was to be a farmers wife. From feeding family and extra farm help, to milking cows, gathering eggs, having huge gardens for our food to being a wife and mother. We learned it and did it with joy. I miss you sis. Helen*

Helen Swaar - March 31, 2021 at 06:49 PM

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Helen Swaar - March 31, 2021 at 06:13 PM

TW

“ *Tom & Tracy Williams lit a candle in memory of Margaret Ruth Swaar*



Tom & Tracy Williams - March 31, 2021 at 05:16 PM

NC

“ Sympathy to the family, Margaret was a sweet lady, she and Don were always supportive of the activities of their school, church and community.

Neil & Joyce Conklen - March 31, 2021 at 02:09 PM

MH

“ Mason City Area Nursing Home lit a candle in memory of Margaret Ruth Swaar



Mason City Area Nursing Home - March 31, 2021 at 09:45 AM

BR

“ Barb Rodgers lit a candle in memory of Margaret Ruth Swaar



Barb Rodgers - March 31, 2021 at 09:35 AM

SH

“ Margaret Ruth will always hold a special place in my heart. She was my aunt and I have memories from way back when I was little. Will miss her. Rest In Peace.

Sandy Hagan - March 31, 2021 at 08:35 AM

LH

“ *Larry And Mary Hundt lit a candle in memory of Margaret Ruth Swaar*



Larry and Mary Hundt - March 31, 2021 at 08:08 AM

BM

“ *Barbara Jean Meikle lit a candle in memory of Margaret Ruth Swaar*



Barbara jean Meikle - March 31, 2021 at 08:07 AM

VB

“ *Vickie Bagby lit a candle in memory of Margaret Ruth Swaar*



Vickie Bagby - March 30, 2021 at 03:21 PM