



Margaret Charlton

November 7, 1931 - June 14, 2019

Margaret Charlton, 87, of Lennox, SD, died Friday, June 14, 2019 at Edgewood Prairie Crossings, Sioux Falls, SD.

Margaret Dorothea Papka was born on November 7, 1931 at rural White, SD, in Brookings county, the daughter of Foster William and Henrietta Wilhelmina (Behrend) Papka. She grew up in Sinia, Estelline, Henry and Watertown. SD. She graduated from Watertown High School in 1948, She later earned an LPN degree from Southeast Area Tech in 1972 and then her bachelor's degree from Augustana College in 1985. She then earned a master's degree from the University of Texas in 1996.

Margaret was united in marriage to Delmer Schriever on March 30, 1951 at Estelline, SD. Five children were born to this union. On June 2, 1973 she was united in marriage to Calvin Charlton at Lennox, SD. Throughout her married life she had lived in Tea, Sioux Falls, rural Harrisburg, Mt Carroll, IL, Baxter, MN and Lennox. Margaret worked as an LPN at the VA Medical Center in Sioux Falls for 11 years and as a Nursing Home Administrator for the Good Samaritan Society for 15 years.

Margaret was an active member of First English Lutheran Church, Lennox Senior Citizens, Lennox Historical Society, Lennox Petal Pals and the Town and Country Extension Club. She was a Girl Scout Leader for five years, a 4-H Leader for 15 years and was part of the Lennox Band Parents. Margaret was also a foster parent for several years. She enjoyed gardening, sewing and reading and collected tea pots and butterfly pins.

Besides her parents, Margaret was preceded in death by husband Calvin in 1980; two daughters: Laurel Lykam and Elizabeth Fodness and a granddaughter. Sarah Larsen; one brother, Darrel Papka.

Grateful for having shared her life are her children: Richard Schriever, Lennox, Margaret Jean (Wayne) Larsen, Sioux Falls and Amy (Wayne) Fischer, Lennox; sons-in-law: Thomas Lykam, Bettendorf, IA and Jan Fodness, Sioux Falls; five grandchildren: Misty (Ryan) Weisenbach, John Fischer, Derek (Jenna) Fischer, Amanda (Christopher) Bahrij and Matthew (Jessica) Larsen and eight great-grandchildren; sister, Gloria Vaughn, Bloomer, WI, as well as other relatives and friends.

Services will begin at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday, June 18 at First English Lutheran Church, Lennox, SD with burial to follow in the Tea Trinity Lutheran Cemetery. Visitation, also at First English Lutheran, with the family present, will be 5 to 7 p.m. Monday.

Tribute Wall

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“ Please accept my condolences for the loss of your mother. May the God of all comfort be with the family during this difficult time. (2 Corinthians 1:3)

Hester - June 18, 2019 at 12:00 AM

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“ Many Blessings to Margaret's family. Children, Grandchildren and great Grandchildren. Margaret was a very special woman with many talents. She shared her Talents with Church, Community and Family. She Loved her family and enjoyed seeing those Grand Baby's. Blessings to her and her family. May she rest in Peace in the arms of her Savior Jesus Christ.
Laurie and Douglas Wernke

Laurie Wernke - June 16, 2019 at 12:00 AM

JC

“ Dear Family of Margaret: My aches for your loss. It is so difficult to lose a special loved one. Having met and getting to know Margaret through the Lennox Historical Society, I feel privileged to have learned of her capabilities. My sympathies and prayers for the family as they journey through their grieving. Janell C

Janell Christiansen - June 16, 2019 at 12:00 AM

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“ Please accept my deepest sympathy. Jesus called Death, SLEEP. Why? Because, The Bible promises the resurrection for our loved ones who have fallen asleep in death. John 5:28 “Do not be amazed this, for the hour is coming in which all those in the memorial tombs will hear his voice and come out” How thankful we can be for the sure hope of seeing our dear loved ones again. My thoughts and prayers are with your family at this difficult time.

Sharon - June 16, 2019 at 12:00 AM