



Margaret

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Ingeborg Margareta Wickstrom (later known as Margaret or Marge) was born in 1924 in Borgo, Finland. Her parents, Rev. Werner and Hjordis Wickstrom, were Swede-Finns (Swedish speaking) and Margaret was the second of four children. The family moved to the U.S. in 1929. Rev. Wickstrom served Swedish speaking churches in Brooklyn, Bridgeport, and then Chicago. Margaret earned a nursing degree from Northwestern University and became a registered nurse.

In 1947 she married Charles W. Keysor, a journalist who later became a Methodist minister. They raised a family of five children in Elgin, Illinois. Margaret was a devoted mother and pastor's wife; she was also instrumental in helping Charles ("Chuck") Keysor to launch Good News, a magazine for Methodist renewal.

In 1972, the Keysors moved with the two youngest children, Chuck Jr. and Steve, to Wilmore, Kentucky; there Chuck continued his magazine work and started a journalism program at Asbury College. Margaret worked in the Good News office and was active in the Methodist church in Wilmore. They moved to Clearwater, Florida where Chuck briefly served a Covenant Church, but died of cancer in 1985 at the age of 60. Margaret then moved to Greenville, Texas, to be near her son Steve (Rhonda) and their children. As she approached 90 years of age, she began to experience memory loss. She

moved to the Lyngblomsten Apartments, just two miles from the home of her daughter Nancy (Craig) and their children. She lived in the Apartments for several years before moving to the Care Center.

Margaret Keysor was a person of strong Christian faith. She loved reading, singing and listening to classical music. A talented knitter, she made beautiful sweaters for everyone in the family. She had moved so many times in her life that she often said, "I have learned in whatsoever state I am to be content" (Philippians 4:11). Wherever she lived, she was known for reaching out to others, especially those who had lost a loved one or who were new in town. Margaret was preceded in death by her parents Werner and Hjordis Wickstrom, her husband Chuck, her brother Ted, and sisters-in-law Mabel (Ted), Betty (Bo) and Nancy (Gordon); her son Daniel, her grandson Matthew Koester, and her daughter-in-law Sally (Dan).

She is survived by brothers Gordon and Bo, her children Joe, Nancy (Craig) Koester, Chuck, Steve (Rhonda), daughter-in-law Sally, grandchildren Emily, Jennifer, Alyssa (Blade), Thomas (Lauren), and great-grandchildren Auden, Hazel Barringer and Philip Keysor.

Memorials may be made to Lyngblomsten Care Center
1415 Almond Ave, St Paul, MN 55108

Cemetery Details

Clearwater Municipal Cemetery

1300 South Myrtle
Clearwater, FL 33755

Upcoming Events

Visitation

JUN 8. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Lyngblomsten Care Center Newman-Benson Chapel
1415 Almond Avenue
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Funeral Service

JUN 8. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (CT)

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