



Mrs. Marcella Fern Hofer

December 27, 1926 - January 8, 2019

Marcella Fern Triebwasser Hofer, only child of Daniel and Alice Triebwasser, was born December 27, 1926, at their farm outside of Emery, South Dakota.

The Triebwasser family were active members of Plum Creek Baptist Church, rural Emery. Marcella received her formal education beginning in a one-room schoolhouse, in Taylor Township #7, Hanson County and later Emery High School and Sioux Falls College. She was a 4th-6th grade teacher at Emery Public School before marrying Menno Hofer on May 23, 1948. Their first child, Ranae Joy, was born three years later. Kevin Ranell and Pamela Faye followed respectively three and five years later.

Marcella placed a high priority on religious training, academic education and musical instruction. She made sure all three of her children did well in their school assignments; insisted that they practiced piano, trumpet and voice; and religiously scheduled and took them to lessons. In addition to her duties as a farmer's wife, mother, and piano instructor, she had a passion for using her energy and talents both in and outside the church to serve as youth leader, choir director, Child Evangelism class teacher, Sunday School Superintendent, and children's Christmas program director. She served faithfully wherever she was needed. Her longest years of ministry were at Salem Mennonite Brethren Church, rural Bridgewater, South Dakota, and Cedar Valley Church (formerly Bloomington Assembly of God), Bloomington,

Minnesota. Marcella and Menno went personally, as well as helped their grandchildren go, on numerous short-term mission's trips to share the Gospel all over the world.

Most of her adult life Marcella struggled with health challenges resulting in moves in 1963 to Tucson, Arizona, and in 1969 to Minneapolis, Minnesota. In 1987 at the age of 60, she realized a life-long dream by completed her Bachelor's Degree from North Central University, Summa Cum Laude. For the past 50 years Marcella has lived in the Minneapolis area. The past two years she resided with her daughter, Pamela, and husband, Randy.

Preceding her to her heavenly reward are her loving husband, Menno Hofer; Marcella's parents, Daniel and Alice Triebwasser; her parents-in-law, Peter G. and Maria Hofer whom she never met in this life; all her brothers- and sisters-in-laws; and several nieces and nephews. Those who grieve her passing are her children: Rev. Ranae Joy (Rev. Elwin) Mack of Glendale, Arizona; Rev. Kevin (Charlotte) Hofer of Minden, Nevada; and Pamela (Randall) May of Burnsville, Minnesota; eight grandchildren: Rev. Jeremy (Rev. Dana) Mack of Glendale, Arizona; Rev. Justin (Tara) Mack of Apple Valley, Minnesota; Jeanene Mack of Brooklyn, New York; Rachelle (Ryan) Stocker of Oconomowoc, Wisconsin; Dustin (Lindsay) May of Burnsville, Minnesota; Sondra (Drew) Stillwell of Prior Lake, Minnesota; Karissa (Drew) Kondo of Zepher Cove, Nevada; Kevin Daniel Hofer of Seattle, Washington; and 22 great-grandchildren and many nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

Visitation will be held at 10 am prior to the funeral service on Saturday, January 19, at 11 am at Cedar Valley Church, 8600 Bloomington Ave., Bloomington, Minnesota. Memorials will be received by Cedar Valley Church. Interment will be at Washburn-McReavy Dawn Valley Memorial Park, 9940 Bush Lake Road, Bloomington, MN.

Cemetery Details

Dawn Valley Memorial Park (Bloomington)

9940 Bush Lake Road
Bloomington, MN 55438

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN **19**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Cedar Valley Church
8600 Bloomington Ave. S.
Bloomington, MN 55425

Church Service

JAN **19**. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

Cedar Valley Church
8600 Bloomington Ave. S.
Bloomington, MN 55425

Graveside Service

JAN **21**. 11:30 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

Dawn Valley Memorial Park (Bloomington)
9940 Bush Lake Road
Bloomington, MN 55438

Tribute Wall



“ *Large Basket Garden was purchased for the family of Mrs. Marcella Fern Hofer.*



January 18, 2019 at 10:08 AM



“ *Will always remember both your parents and their love for others. I remember well the mission trips I took with your Dad..and the kind influence your Mom had on our family while we attended Bloomington Assemblies..They are together again and your Mom will be greatly missed..*

Darwin Lay - January 16, 2019 at 04:58 PM



“ *Our sympathies to you in the "home going" of your Mother. While living in Mpls we were blessed to connect with your Mom and Dad informally on several occasions, a celebration or two, as well as met for a meal with them and with your Mom after your Dad passed. They were always enjoyable visits. God's peace be with you.*

*Blessed by their Friendship,
Phil and Judy Glanzer
Sioux Falls, SD*

Phil and Judy Glanzer - January 14, 2019 at 11:40 AM