



Margot Gerd Gafvert

August 27, 1932 - August 31, 2019

Gafvert, Margot Gerd Born 8/27/1932; died 8/31/2019. Margot Gafvert, originally Margot Gerd Svensson, was born in Sweden, in the town of Gärdslösa, on Öland, an island off the southeast coast in the Baltic Sea. She lived on a small farm with her parents, Martin Svensson and Clara Olson, and her sister Wivi. She immigrated to the United States in 1950, and moved to Rockford, Illinois, where there was a large Swedish community. Her mother and sister came shortly later. She soon met Sven Gafvert, and they married on November 27, 1952. They had two sons, Rolf and Ulf. The family moved numerous times, including 2 years in Stockholm, Sweden, 2 years in Boulder, Colorado, finally settling in Ames, Iowa, for an extended time, where she worked for many years in interior decorating. They spent their later years in Minneapolis, Minnesota, where she became active with the American Swedish Institute. She fell ill in 1998, of an unknown cause which resulted in loss of fine motor control. She lived the last 22 years in a wheelchair, at a group home run by Dungarvin, in Eden Prairie, Minnesota. The staff and residents at the home loved her dearly, she was the matriarch, and many thought of her as their grandmother. She is preceded in death by her husband, and survived by her two sons, Rolf Anders Gafvert, Ulf Bertil Gafvert, and one granddaughter, Sarah Elise Gafvert, along with numerous cousins and other relatives residing in Sweden. Washburn-McReavy.com Strobeck Johnson 952-938-9020