



Marjorie Ann Peterson

July 9, 1931 - January 15, 2024

Marjorie "Marge" Ann Peterson, 92, of Bloomington Minnesota, passed away peacefully on Monday, January 15, 2024, at home surrounded by her family. Born July 9, 1931, in Aberdeen, Brown County, South Dakota, to Helen Hedwig (née Hinz) Krage and Ewald Krage, Marjorie grew up in Columbia, SD, and on a farm west of Westport, SD. Faith, farming and a love of the land were always dear to her heart. She rode her horse "Sam" to a one-room schoolhouse for grade school, and that trusty horse could find his way home in a snowstorm on the prairie. A person of strong Christian values and conviction, Marjorie loved the Lord and celebrated by raising a family of five children.

Born July 9, 1931, at St. Luke's Hospital in Aberdeen, South Dakota, joining a farming family with brothers Leroy, Junior Ewald and Harold. Living a life on the prairie, Marjorie was her mother's ever-present helper in the kitchen. She was part of the generation where hard work and a love of nature were considered the cornerstone of life. Just outside the family home was a vine covered arch which led to a garden of flowers and roses. Marjorie lived in Columbia and then later west of Westport.

Marjorie was baptized on August 16, 1931, at St. John's Lutheran Church in Columbia, South Dakota, and confirmed at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Aberdeen, South Dakota.

Marjorie graduated from Westport High School in 1949. She was active in HS choir and was a cheerleader for the Westport Wolverines. After HS, she moved to Aberdeen and worked at Forseth Insurance Company. On the Thanksgiving after HS graduation, Marjorie Krage and Herman Peterson paired up during a couple's skate at Skateland in Aberdeen, SD. This is where Herman 'fell' for Marjorie. He skated up and said, "Hello Westport!" and Marjorie replied, "Hello Frederick!" Herman graduated as a basketball and baseball athlete from the Frederick High School Vikings class of 1949. He attended the North Dakota State School of Science, in Wahpeton, ND.

Marjorie Krage and Herman Peterson were joined in Holy Matrimony on June 23, 1951, at Sheppard Air Force Base, Wichita Falls, Texas during the Korean Conflict. This began their life journey of one month shy of 60 years of marriage. While Herman was active on AF missions keeping the B-36 moving around the world, Marjorie would hold down the home front and served by taking care of her family at home. After arriving at Travis AF Base, Fairfield, California, newlywed Marjorie worked as a mobile librarian driving a library van around the community bringing books to children and encouraging reading to areas without libraries. After moving to Bloomington, Minnesota she served as a librarian at Oak Grove Junior High.

While working, she was active at Lutheran Church of the Redemption as part of the altar guild, singing in the choir and volunteering at the Lutheran Church of the Redemption Christian Day School. Marjorie and Herman's five children attended Redemption for their formative years. They welcomed children Michael Douglas (1952), Wayne Norin (1954) in Fairfield, CA, Cindy Ann (1956) in Aberdeen, SD, Pamela Marjorie (1960) and Paul Herman (1963) in Bloomington, MN.

Marjorie's love of music filled the home, with her piano (self-taught) and

concertina playing. She inspired her children to play piano, guitar, mandolin, drums, banjo, clarinet, recorder, violin and voice. Marjorie was an avid cook, seamstress and award-winning baker. Marjorie taught her children to sew and to preserve the bounty of the garden. She also canned the fruit from our neighbors' crab apple trees.

At the age of 92, Marjorie entered baked goods, flowers and fruit in the 2023 Winona County Fair in Saint Charles, MN, earning her 25 Ribbons: four Grand Champion Ribbons, two Reserve Champion Ribbons, two Award of Merit Ribbons, ten Blue Ribbons, and seven Red Ribbons. She had a wonderful time participating and winning at the fair!

The Peterson family shares our gratitude to everyone who has helped Marjorie with her life and her struggles over the past three years with dementia. We are thankful for how she taught us to be joyful, live with hope for the future, and celebrate the blessed assurance knowing we will meet in heaven at the great family reunion one day.

Marjorie is survived by her children: Wayne Norin Peterson of Eugene, OR, Cindy Ann Peterson of Bloomington, MN, and Dr. Pamela Marjorie Peterson of St. Charles, MN; as well as granddaughters: Lydia Hubert-Peterson, Heidi Scott; grandson: Matthew (Heather) Peterson; great granddaughters: Kinnedy Scott, Karina and Loryn Peterson; and great grandson Finnley Scott; brother: Leroy (Linda) Krage; cousins, nieces, nephews, and many friends. Preceded in death: parents Helen and Ewald Krage; husband Herman Norin Peterson; oldest son Dr. Michael Douglas Peterson; youngest son Paul Herman Peterson; and brothers Junior Ewald Krage and Harold Krage. Marjorie is now a member of the Celestial Chamber Choir. What a blessing Marjorie has been for us all. She will be so dearly missed.

Funeral Service will be on Monday, March 18, at 11 AM with visitation 1 hour prior to the service at Redemption Lutheran Church, 927 East Old Shakopee Road, Bloomington, MN, 55420. Interment Fort Snelling National Cemetery. A livestream will be available the day of the service from Redemption. Link to the page for the service on the Redemption website - <https://www.redemptionmn.org/marjorie-ann-peterson-funeral> or link directly to Youtube video - <https://youtube.com/live/EDWRnsH1jXU>

In lieu of flowers, the family prefers donations to Redemption Lutheran Church, 927 East Old Shakopee Road, Bloomington, MN 55420. Please contact 952-881-0035 for church information. www.redemptionmn.org

Final details for the funeral service and internment will be listed on the Dawn Valley Memorial website. Washburn-McReavey Dawn Valley Memorial Chapel and Park 952-941-7686
www.washburn-mcreavy.com

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 18. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Redemption Lutheran Church
927 East Old Shakopee Road
Bloomington, MN 55420

Church Service

MAR 18. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

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Graveside Service

MAR 18. 2:00 PM - 2:15 PM (CT)

Fort Snelling National Cemetery
7601 34th Avenue South
Minneapolis, MN 55450

Tribute Wall

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“ I remember your mother so fondly. She loved having us play music at her home and always treated us as adults even though we were young teenagers. She made us feel special and welcomed. I also remember her serving us little snacks and drinks for our folk mass practices. She was so supportive.

I am very grateful for having known her.

Our mother, Dolores, always had positive things to say about her and her kind heart.

Now, she is hearing God sing to her in heaven and entering into song with Mike and the angels.

Zephaniah 3:17

“The Lord your God, in your midst, the Mighty One, will save. He will take great delight in you. He will quiet you in His arms. He will rejoice over you with singing.”

Rev. Keith Knauf - February 21, 2024 at 07:23 AM