



Maxine Eva Helgeson

March 12, 2018

Maxine Eva Helgeson, of Coon Rapids, age 86, passed peacefully in her home on March 12, 2018.

Maxine was born on June 22, 1931, and was raised in Murdock, MN.

She is preceded in death by her loving husband, Vernon Helgeson; second husband Richard Broberg; birth mother Eva Bradley; father Clarence Krattenmaker; stepmother Hazel Krattenmaker; half-sister, Helen Riley and all of her aunts and uncles.

Maxine lived in Coon Rapids most of her life. She was a loving wife, mother, grandmother, and friend to many. Maxine was happiest around family and friends, and serving her community. A retired school teacher, she enjoyed traveling, painting, crafts, and was a member of various clubs, and the VFW ladies auxiliary. Maxine loved to sing and was involved in three choirs. She directed the M&Ms choir at her senior apartment. Although Maxine shared her angelic voice at countless funerals, she believed that the most important gift that you can give is Love. Her mottos were: "Keep a song In your heart," and "Love each other 'til it hurts."

Maxine is survived by five children: sons Ric (Cheryl)

Helgeson, Ron Helgeson, and daughters Kay Woods, Sue (Brian) Casey and Kimberly (Jesse) Vadnais; 14 grandchildren, 11 great-grandchildren and two great-great grandchildren.

A Mass of Christian Burial was held on Monday, March 19, at The Church of the Epiphany in Coon Rapids.