



Margaret Carlson

October 14, 1921 - October 14, 2007

FOSTER CITY - Margaret H. Carlson, 86, formerly of Foster City, died, Sunday Oct. 14, 2007, at St. Jude's Adult Foster Care in Escanaba.

She was born on Dec. 3, 1920, in Cambridge, Md., the daughter of the late Swan and Helen (Larsen) Johnson. Her family relocated to Michigan when she was an infant and settled in Foster City, where she lived the remainder of her life until moving to Escanaba with her son Bill when she needed assisted care.

Margaret married Walter Carlson on Aug. 3, 1941, in Foster City. Margaret and Walter owned and operated a dairy farm. She was not only a homemaker to the family, she was also an integral part of the farm and worked along with Walter in the farms daily operation.

For many years, Margaret welcomed her children, their spouses, grandchildren and friends to her home on Sunday afternoons, where the bonding of cousins and cherished memories that would last forever, were made. Her bread baking and crepes (Swedish pancakes) were part of the love she gave her family. Margaret and Walter enjoyed snowmobiling and short road trips with their son, Bill. She also loved playing cards, ceramics, sewing, gardening and reading.

She and Walter, with others from the area worked hard for the rights of handicapped individuals with Downs Syndrome. Eventually the reality of the TRICO sheltered workshop in Iron Mountain was formed.

Margaret loved her church and God. The church and its extended family were the center of her life. She was a member of Mission Covenant Church in Foster City.

Margaret is survived by five children, John (Judy) Carlson of Foster City, Esther (Dave) Kobasic of Bark River, Bill Carlson of Escanaba, Steve (Linda) Carlson of Foster City and Marilyn Carlson (Kevin) of Escanaba; 11 grandchildren, Chris (Bill) McMahon, Robert Carlson, Mike (Nancie) Carlson, Dan (Stephanie) Kobasic, Theresa (Dan) Doyen, Nicole (Chris) Elie, Dan (Jennie) Murray, Mohammed Habo, Soraya Habo, Steve Carlson Jr. and Tammy (Mike) Ciochetto, 18 great-grandchildren; one brother, Rasmus (Pearl) Johnson of Foster City; one sister, Betty Kaye of Antigo; and many nieces and nephews including a special niece and her husband, Kathy and Terry Murray of Foster City.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, Walter in 1990; brothers, Emil and Alfred Johnson; a sister, Viola Lysell and grandchildren, Kelly and Eric Kobasic.

Visitation will be held on Wednesday from 10 a.m. to 12 noon (Central time) at the Mission Covenant Church in Foster City.

Funeral services will be held on Wednesday at 12 noon at the church. Rev. Carl Hammer will officiate.

Burial will be in the Foster City Cemetery.

Margaret's grandchildren will serve as pallbearers.

The family would like to express a special thank you to all her hospice nurses and to St. Jude's Adult Foster Care in Escanaba, where Margaret was lovingly cared for by their extended family and caregivers.

Condolences to the family of Margaret Carlson may be expressed online at www.ernashfuneralhomes.com.

The family has entrusted the Erickson-Rochon and Nash Funeral Home with arrangements.

Tribute Wall

DM

“ *Grandma, I miss and think of you daily! I give you the credit of me knowing Jesus! I hope that He gives you treasures for leading my soul to Him! I can't wait to see you parade! I love you Grandma!*

Dan Murray - December 29, 2024 at 06:50 AM

FM

“ *To the family of Margaret Carlson*

We were saddened of learning of Maragret's passing away. We lost touch with her a few years ago when we lived in Crystal Falls, Michigan when she came to visit us there. I believe we are cousins. My grandmother Christine Minton was an Aunt of Helen Johnson, the daughter of my grandmother's sister. It's a bit complicated so won't get into the details. We now live in Glendale, AZ. We moved here in 1993. Please know that we are sorry to learn about your mother, sister, Aunt, grandmother, going to be with the Lord. If possible I would like someones address in Foster City that I can write to.

Carol (Chaney) Moon

Frank and Carol Moon - October 22, 2007 at 12:00 AM

ME

“ *My sincerest sympathies in your loss.*

I fondly remember many wonderful visits with my grandmother (Elsie Doran), mother (Diane Doran) and Margaret as I was growing up in the U.P.

She will be surely missed.

*Mike Erickson
Warren, Michigan*

Mike Erickson - October 17, 2007 at 12:00 AM

WS

“ *We send our sympathy to your family on the passing of your Mom. God Bless you at this difficult time. Wally & Carol*

Wally & Carol Swanson - October 16, 2007 at 12:00 AM

MB

“ *My sympathy to your family; I remember both your parents as wonderful, hard working folks.*

*Mary Lou (Kenny) Baldrice
Henderson, NV.*

Mary Lou (Kenny) Baldrice - October 16, 2007 at 12:00 AM