



## Marjorie Amato

December 5, 2009

SPREAD EAGLE, Wis. - Marjorie Lucille Amato, 91, went to be with her heavenly father, on Saturday, Dec. 5, 2009, at Maryhill Manor in Niagara.

Marge was born Feb. 3, 1918, in Chicago to Professor Charles and Lucille Hjerpe. She grew up in the North Park area of Chicago, graduated from North Park Academy in 1936 and North Park junior College in 1938.

On Feb. 24, 1945, Marge married Anthony (Tony) Amato. They lived in Denver, until moving to Spread Eagle more than 30 years ago. This February she and Tony would have celebrated their 65th wedding anniversary.

She was an active member of PEO Sisterhood Chapter CX, Thursday Scholar's Bible Study, and was a former member of the Iron Mountain Women's Club. She was a longtime member of the North Park Covenant Church and attended First Covenant Church in Iron Mountain.

Everyone loved Marge. Her infectious laughter and sparkling personality set her apart in any group. She will be sadly missed by her nieces, nephews, their children and her many friends. The family spent many happy summers together at Spread Eagle. She loved to play bridge and her favorite saying was "I didn't come here to lose!"

She leaves us physically, but will remain in our hearts and memories forever.

Coming together to celebrate her wonderful life will be her husband, Tony; nieces and nephews, Terry (Ken) Sovey of Spread Eagle, Chuck (Cindy) Hjerpe of Dallas and Barbara (Joseph) Caccamisi, Donna (Butch) Brown, Sue (Ed) Langford, and Steve (Karen) Hjerpe, all of Memphis, Tenn. area.

She will be greatly missed by her great-nieces and nephews, Ken, Greg and Brian Sovey, Stacy, Terry and Michael Hjerpe, Russ and Eric Graham; Kari and Chad Henderson, Ryan Langford and Haley Hjerpe. She also leaves her nieces and nephews, Ursula (Bob) Martin, Joseph Scuro Jr., Terri Carrano, Charles (Mary Jean) Marino, Andrew (Diane) Carrano, Vincent (Tina) Scuro, Caroline Hunter and Jeanie (Sonny) Idol. Many great-nieces and great-nephews and great-great nieces and great-great nephews and two sisters-in-law, Phil (Joseph Sr.) Scuro and Myra Amato.

She was preceded in death by her parents and two brothers, Terence and Warren.

Visitation will Saturday from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. at the Erickson-Rochon & Nash Funeral Home.

Funeral services will follow Saturday at 11 a.m. at the funeral home. Rev. Peter Erickson from the First Covenant Church will officiate.

Burial will be in Iron Mountain Cemetery Park.

Pallbearers will be Ken Sovey, Chuck Hjerpe, Joseph Caccamisi, Greg Sovey, Brian Sovey, Steve Hjerpe, Sonny Idol and Andrew Carrano.

In lieu of flowers, a memorial may be made in her memory to the charity of

the donor's choice.

Condolences to the family of Marjorie L. Amato may be expressed online at [www.ernashfuneralhomes.com](http://www.ernashfuneralhomes.com)

The family has entrusted the Erickson-Rochon & Nash Funeral Home of Iron Mountain with the funeral arrangements.

# Tribute Wall

LM

“ We will miss Aunt Marge very much! She was one of the greatest! I hope to have what Uncle Tony and Aunt Marge had when my fiance and I get married. To this day i still tell my daughter about the time I fell down the stairs at their house and alos, the time I got the fish hook caught in my toe...:O) Life long memories! You'll always be in my heart Aunt Marge! We Love you!

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**Lynda and Andrea Martin** - December 11, 2009 at 12:00 AM

BP

“ I met Marge back in the 80's when I first began my career and held her hands for over 20 years every 2-3 weeks. She first became my client, she soon became a dear friend who I grew to admire and love. Our visits were not appointments to me, but more a time to visit with a friend, and those visits became a part of my life. During those years I learned alot from her. We had many discussions about politics, dogs, (both mine and her stories about Timmy), religion, family, men, hollywood and our common interest in old movies, good food and restaurants, Chicago, and clothes. I learned about Lladro figurines from Marge, the history of spread eagle and much more. She was full of life and beautiful on both the inside and out. She was my idea of a real classy lady and she touched me in a very special way. My heart goes out to Tony, who was a wonderful husband, and is a real special person and the rest of the family. Some I have met, others I feel that I know from all the experiences Marge would relate to me during our times together through the years. I had seen a change in her in the past year and it saddened me. She would say to me "Dont get old Kiddo". There is a void in my life and I miss her very much.

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**Bobbie Peterson** - December 10, 2009 at 12:00 AM

EG

“ We had so many great summers at the lake with Aunt Marge and Uncle Tony. She was a wonderful person and will be missed dearly.

Eric, Melissa, Ricky & E.J Graham - December 10, 2009 at 12:00 AM

JH

“ Marge was one of those women who just made you feel good about being yourself. Full of acceptance, love & a world of fascinating stories. She was one in a million. She & Tony have always been an inspiration. I will miss seeing her smile, her impeccable style, hearing her playful, angry banter during long card games, and simply just "knowing" she was there. I'm honored to take part in the celebration of your life, Marge. You were quite a lady & left an indelible impression on the many lives you touched.

Jeff Hayes - December 09, 2009 at 12:00 AM

BC

“ My aunt, my godmother, my mentor and most of all my friend. How I will miss Marge and our talks. We all learned so much from her positive outlook on life.

Bobbi Caccamisi - December 09, 2009 at 12:00 AM

CH

“ Aunt Marge may have lived miles from New Jersey, but Uncle Tony and Aunt Marge were always close to our hearts. How sad for my dear Uncle Tony, but how fortunate that they had so many wonderful years together. God bless.

Carolyn (Amato) Hunter - December 09, 2009 at 12:00 AM

GL

“ We will miss Marge's smile, and I will always remember how she would call me "Kido". The whole gang at the Holiday Kitchen sends our condolences.

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**Gene Levenburg** - December 09, 2009 at 12:00 AM

KJ

“ Aunt Marge was a splendid woman, a lady from a bygone era when being a lady really meant something. I will miss her dearly. She lived a full and happy life, surrounded by an extended family whose love for her knew no bounds.

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**Ken Sovey, Jr.** - December 08, 2009 at 12:00 AM