



Marjorie Madsen

March 17, 2021

Marjorie Ann Madsen, 92, passed away peacefully on March 17, 2021, in Fort Collins, Colorado.

Marge, as she was known, was born on a farm between Earling and Panama, Iowa to John and Elizabeth Smith.

She attended one-room country schools before high school at Saint Mary's in Portsmouth, Iowa. She graduated at age 16, left the farm and went to Harlan, Iowa to work. It was in Harlan that she met Ray Madsen, who had just returned from Japan after serving in WWII.

They were married in 1948 at Saint Mary's Church in Portsmouth and spent 65 years together before Ray's death in 2013.

They raised four daughters together in Harlan and later Nebraska City, Nebraska. After retirement Ray and Marge moved to Fort Collins, Colorado to be near family.

Over the years Marge worked in bookkeeping and retail positions in addition to volunteering at the girls' schools, at church, hospitals and with the Girl Scouts. In her later years she enjoyed making crafts that were sold, donated and given away to family and friends.

Marge was preceded in death by her husband, Ray, her daughters, Jane Pereski and Mary Pichler, son-in-law Ken Pichler, grandson, John Pichler, brothers, Bill and Jack Smith and sister, Rita Schmitz.

Left to cherish her memory are daughters, Betty Headley (Mike) of Houston, Texas and Jean Kreikemeier (Jim) of Fort Collins, Colorado, son-in-law, Mitch Pereski, grandchildren, Brian Headley, Christina Wendt, Allison Kreikemeier and Nathan Kreikemeier, and many nieces, nephews, friends and caregivers.

A memorial mass to celebrate Marge's life will be held at 10:00a.m. on Saturday, July 24th at Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church in Fort Collins, CO with Interment to follow at Roselawn Cemetery.

Memorial contributions in her honor may be made to the cancer charity of your choice.

Previous Events

Memorial Mass

JUL **24.** 10:00 AM (MT)

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church
5450 South Lemay Avenue
Fort Collins, CO 80525
seas@seas-parish.org
<http://seas-parish.org/>

Tribute Wall



“ *Marjorie Madsen*

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“ *From Bill & Judy Goshorn purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Marjorie Madsen.*



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“ *I met Marge while volunteering at Oakridge. Bringing her tea in the mornings and getting to talk with her the past few years, getting to hear about her life, was so enjoyable. I was honored to be given one of the dust pans that her husband had made. I will miss her.*

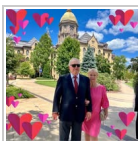
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“ We so enjoyed taking Marge to church every Sunday for way over a year. We had lots of laughs and great fellowship with this amazing lady.
We will miss you so much Marge.



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