Margaret Lillian Lauer was born on August 9th, 1936 in Shafer, ND to John and Armilda Buffin Kummer. Raised in Watford City, ND she graduated from High School in 1954 and then attended Dickinson State College and received an Associate's Degree in elementary education.

After meeting Donald Lauer, who was working in the oil fields of North Dakota, she fell in love and was married on March 13th, 1957 at the First Lutheran Church in Watford City, ND. They had 4 children together and her years were spent raising her children and following her husband through the states of North Dakota and Montana where he continued to work on the oil wells. In 1989 Margaret suffered the first of many losses as her youngest son Mark was killed in an automobile accident in Watford City, ND in 1989.

She moved to Bismarck, ND in 1992, after the loss of her beloved husband Donald and lived with her son, Clint. Margaret spent many years enjoying life in Bismarck. Her sister, Wanda Pedersen and her family lived close by and her life revolved around helping her son, watching her sister's children grow up and have little ones of their own and enjoying time with her sister planning the holidays, family gatherings, going shopping or just sitting for coffee and chat.

In 2005, after the loss of her son Clint, she moved to Virginia where she lived with her daughter Millie. This was a major change since she had lived all of her life in the Midwest, but she adjusted well and enjoyed her daily routine of life in Virginia and helping out her daughter. Her interests included embroidery which her and her daughter would enjoy together out on the back deck, her love of college football with her favorite team Notre Dame and learning about the history of Virginia and the local area. Her favorite place to visit was Mount Vernon, where George Washington lived. Margaret always had an interest in the Amish way of life and this past fall was able to travel to Lancaster, PA., where she enjoyed several days seeing the countryside and learning about the life and culture of the Amish.

Margaret died on Thursday, December 26, 2013 at Med Star Washington Hospital in Washington, D.C.

Margaret is survived by her daughter, Millie of Springfield, VA, son John, sister, Wanda (Don) Pedersen of Bismarck, ND, and several nieces, nephews, grandchildren and great grandchildren

Margaret Lauer was preceded in death by her husband Donald Lauer, 2 sons, Mark Lauer and Clint Lauer, parents John and Armilda Kummer, and 3 brothers, baby John Jr., Cap Kummer and Jack Kummer.

In Loving Memory Of



Margaret Lauer

The Fallen Limb

A limb has fallen from the family tree. I keep hearing a voice that says, "Grieve not for me. Remember the best times, the laughter, the song. The good life I lived while I was strong. Continue my heritage, I'm counting on you. Keep smiling and surely the sun will shine through. My mind is at ease, my soul is at rest. Remembering all, how I truly was blessed. Continue traditions, no matter how small. Go on with your life, don't worry about falls I miss you all dearly, so keep up your chin. *Until the day comes we're together again.* Author Unknown

Margaret Lillian Lauer Born

August 9, 1936 Schafer, North Dakota

Died

December 26, 2013 Washington, D.C.

Funeral Service

11:00 AM

Friday, January 10, 2014
First Lutheran Church
Watford City, North Dakota

Officiating

Pastor Rob Favorite

Music

Caroline Schwartz Garrett Gudmumsem "The Old Rugged Cross" "In the Garden"

Casketbearers

Kris Davis

Damon Hettich

Steve Kummer

Marc Cyner

Honorary Casketbearers

Donald Pedersen and all of Margaret's Friends and Family

Interment

Schafer Cemetery Watford City, North Dakota

Lunch will be served at the church following graveside services



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