



Margaret Elizabeth Dage

December 10, 1924 - February 18, 2018

Margaret Elizabeth Dage, age 93, of Albia, passed away on Sunday, February 18, 2018, at the Monroe Care Center in Albia.

Margaret was born on December 10, 1924, in Minneapolis, Minnesota to Elmer and Mary Ellen (Wagoner) Mason. She graduated from Patrick Henry High School in Minneapolis. Later in life she received her RN degree in Nursing. On January 1, 1945, she married Lawrence Oliver Dage in Akeley, Minnesota. They shared 60 years of marriage before Lawrence's passing on May 20, 2005.

Margaret was a homemaker and foster parent while she raised her children and later worked at the VA Hospital in Knoxville as a head nurse until her retirement. A strong woman of faith, she was a member of the Monroe County Church of the Brethren where she was active in teaching Sunday school and Bible school and was in the Ladies Aid Group. She also was active in helping her children with 4-H. She enjoyed music and in her younger years, she along with her sister and cousin sang on the radio in Minnesota. After moving to Albia, she sang with the Sweet Adelines. She enjoyed sewing, quilting and being outdoors. Margaret was a very loving and caring person that always put others before herself. Her real joy in life was spending time with her family and friends.

Margaret is survived by her children, Ron (Karen) Dage of Amana, Iowa, Becky Lynn Roberts of Albia, Thomas (Carol) Dage of Gladstone, MO; 2 grandchildren, Larry and Michelle; and several great grandchildren. Margaret is also survived by 4 sisters, Edith Jackson of Albert Lea, MN, Lois Nefstead and Eunice Johnston both of Rice Lake, WI, and Jean Gustafson of Minneapolis, MN; and many nieces, nephews, cousins, and good friends.

She is preceded in death by her husband, Lawrence Dage; a son in infancy, Timothy Paul Dage; a foster-son, Howard Lee Pearce; her parents, Elmer and Mary Mason; 2 sisters, Ruth Hendricks and Josephine Dage; and 4 brothers, Orville, Ralph, Clark, and Robert Mason.

Visitation will be held from 3:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m., Friday, February 23, 2018, at the Tharp Funeral Home with Margaret's family present from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. to greet family and friends and will reopen at 9:30 a.m. until time of the service on Saturday, February 24, 2018.

A memorial service will be held at 10:30 a.m., Saturday, February 24, 2018, at the Tharp Funeral Home in Albia. Burial will follow services at Cuba Cemetery in Albia, Iowa.

Cemetery Details

Cuba Cemetery

Avery, IA

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB **23**. 3:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Tharp Funeral Home
116 Benton Ave.
Albia, IA 52531
(641) 932-3129
<https://www.tharpfh.com/>

Visitation

FEB **24**. 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM (CT)

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Memorial Service

FEB **24**. 10:30 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Margaret Elizabeth Dage*

January 30, 2023 at 05:06 AM



“ *Margaret Elizabeth Dage*

January 30, 2023 at 02:53 AM



“ *Margaret was a lovely lady. She & her family were our neighbors. She enjoyed music & singing and i loved going over to her house to play w/her daughter, who was close to my age. Condolences to Margaret's family.*

Karen Templer Deimerly - March 06, 2018 at 11:13 PM



“ *Ron, Becky and Tom...
I was so sorry to hear of your mother's passing. She was such a wonderful lady. I have fond memories of her and your dad. My heart goes out to all of you and your families. May you all find peace in the knowledge that she is in God's hands and is at peace.
Prayers to you all.*

Andrea Welt Woodard

Andrea Woodard - February 23, 2018 at 06:35 PM



“ *Sapphire Skies Bouquet was purchased for the family of Margaret Elizabeth Dage.* ”



February 22, 2018 at 12:42 PM



“ *Mrs Dage was one of the kindest people I've ever known. Many fond memories as a youngster of Tom and I getting together at their house.* ”

Charles Spaur - February 21, 2018 at 11:06 PM



“ *Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Margaret Elizabeth Dage.* ”



February 21, 2018 at 09:58 PM



“ *Glorious Grace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Margaret Elizabeth Dage.* ”



February 21, 2018 at 02:13 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Margaret Elizabeth Dage.*



February 21, 2018 at 11:11 AM



“ *For some reason when I think of Aunt Margaret I think of fireflies. I guess its because I have wonderful memories of visiting Iowa and seeing the fireflies as we are driving to her home. Now when I see fireflies I feel the Love and joyful memories of special times spent with family. I will miss you Aunt Margaret*



Merri Sigler - February 20, 2018 at 08:38 PM



Aunt Margaret was very special & precious to me! Such sweet memories of spending a lot of time at their house.

Verna Grider - February 23, 2018 at 03:04 PM



“ *Jean Gustafson and family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Margaret Elizabeth Dage.*



Jean Gustafson and family - February 20, 2018 at 08:23 PM

PG

“ Margaret was like a second mother to me in my younger years and continued to be a great friend as I grew up. I have known Margaret and her family for over 50 years and will always remember her as a loving, caring, and hard working woman. She welcomed me into their home almost every Sunday after church to enjoy her Egg Foo Yong and piled the plates so high with her delicious fare. I loved being with her and her family and have such wonderful memories! My prayers and thoughts are with you all as you struggle with your grief. I'm sure that Eunice and her are singing with the angels now. God be with you all and give you strength and peace as you grieve!

Pam Giltner - February 20, 2018 at 12:19 PM

LK

“ Aunt Margaret was such a beautiful person. I remember Mom and Dad taking us to Albia and we would hang out in the barn! Uncle Lawrence and Aunt Margaret would host us so well. The best memories!! Aunt Margaret sang Ave Maria at my wedding. I'll never forget. Love you, Aunt Margaret.

Laurie Krenke - February 19, 2018 at 06:59 PM



“ My Aunt Margaret.....she will be missed by all those who knew her. Aunt Margaret above all, loved Jesus.....loved her children with unfaltering love, and loved all her family. She was an icon of sincerity, goodness, and well wishing to others.....we love you Aunt Margaret, may you now rest in Heavenly with your God and Lawrence.....Jon and Sandy

Jon Hendricks - February 19, 2018 at 11:07 AM

BF

“ *Bessie Springer & Family purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Margaret Elizabeth Dage.*



Bessie Springer & Family - February 18, 2018 at 05:42 PM

DA

“ *Gone from our sight, but never from our hearts. I have so many amazing memories that I will always treasure but remembering how she lived by example was the greatest gift.*
Diane Aldrich (niece)

Diane Aldrich - February 18, 2018 at 04:39 PM

KM

My condolences to the family on Margaret's passing. I will always remember her beautiful smile, but more so, her beautiful and loving heart.

Kathy Martensen - February 22, 2018 at 11:18 AM