



Mary Margaret (Margie) Taliaferro Hukle

September 12, 1927 - March 23, 2019

Mary Margaret (Margie) Taliaferro Hukle, age 91, of Severy, KS, passed away Saturday, March 23, 2019, at Greenwood County Hospital in Eureka, KS.

Mary Margaret was born September 12, 1927, in Eureka, KS to John and Lulavon (Speer) Flock. She was raised on a farm near Indian Creek southeast of Severy with her three siblings. She grew up during the Great Depression; fun time was spent at family gatherings as well as swimming and fishing.

She attended Severy High School her freshman through junior years, but graduated from Winfield High School in 1945 after the family moved from the farm. She began her teaching career that fall at a country school outside Rock, Kansas, after completing college courses at Southwestern College. While raising a family and teaching full time, Margie took night and summer courses, earning her degree from Kansas State Teachers College of Emporia in August of 1967.

April 15, 1947, she married Raymond Taliaferro. Together they raised four boys. Raymond passed away in 1986. In January 1998, she married Frank Hukle; Frank passed away in 2004.

Margie was a wonderful cook, making sure her family ate a large breakfast together before leaving the house for chores or school each morning. Then at the end of the day she made sure everyone had a full meal at night no matter how late everyone got back to the house. She sincerely loved people, wrote letters to friends and family, and read bible stories to children. Margie never took herself so seriously that she couldn't laugh at herself. Later in life she became the local historian and would give talks to many groups telling the history of Severy.

Mary Margaret is survived by her sons:

Marty and wife Helen Taliaferro of Severy, KS

Dana and wife Christal Taliaferro of Severy, KS

Scott Taliaferro of Wichita, KS

Brother: Donald and wife Judy Flock of Rockport, MA

Sister: Beverly Fuqua of Peace Valley, MO

Grandchildren: Jonathan and wife Cynthia Taliaferro, Christopher and wife Tara Taliaferro, Sarah and husband Gavin Lutman, Lindsey and husband Kevin Nieman, Matthew and wife Paige Taliaferro, Darris Taliaferro, Christine Taliaferro, and Haley and husband Paul Shattuck.

12 great-grandchildren

Margie was preceded in death by her parents, husband Raymond Taliaferro, son Tim Taliaferro, husband Frank Hukle, and brother Ronald Flock.

Visitation will be held Tuesday, March 26, 2019, 5-7pm at Countryside Funeral Home, 206 E. Washington, Howard, KS

Funeral Service will be held on Wednesday, March 27, 2019 at 1:30 pm at the First United Methodist Church in Severy, KS

There will be a private family burial to follow.

Following burial, friends are invited to a reception at the church annex.

Memorials in Mary Margaret's name can be made to West Elk Scholarship Fund, and can be mailed to or left with the funeral home.

Services entrusted to Countryside Funeral Home, 206 E. Washington, PO Box 1233, Howard, KS 67349.

Events

MAR **Visitation** 05:00PM - 07:00PM

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Countryside Funeral Home - Howard

206 E. Washington P.O. Box 1233, Howard, KS, US, 67349

MAR **Service** 01:30PM

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Severy United Methodist Church

104 N. Greenwood St., Severy, KS, US, 67137

Comments



“ Chris Wooderson lit a candle in memory of Mary Margaret (Margie) Taliaferro Hukle



Chris Wooderson - March 28, 2019 at 12:41 PM



“ Tim & Dana Burke



Dana Burke - March 27, 2019 at 12:10 PM



“ So sorry for your loss!!!

Evy Shoup - March 28, 2019 at 09:30 PM



“ Dear Sweet Family,

Words cannot express how much your Mother meant to me! I felt like the Lord was leading me to write to her once a week to encourage her, and she ended up encouraging me!! Not to mention how much it meant to my family back when my first husband was attending Harding University to become a minister. Your Mother and Dad supported us monthly. It was a sacrifice on their part, but a much needed necessity on our end. I had two small children and any money I would have made would have barely paid for child care, so my way of contributing to our income was to cut hair in my home to help out. Some months we didn't know where our meals would come from, but then your parents check would arrive when we needed it most. The Lord really does supply ALL OUR NEEDS!! Sometimes he works through other people to supply what we need, as he did your parents. This is why they will always hold a special place in my heart!!! Your Mom was one of the greatest women I have ever known!! The first memory I have of Aunt Margaret was at their store that they used to own and operate. I remember how KIND she was and LOVING!!! She was a Godly woman all of her life, and she raised four Christian Men too!! I will greatly miss her!! I will really miss her letters that I grew to look forward to!!! God Bless you all, and know that even though I can't be there, I'm with you in Love, and Spirit! You will be in my prayers, I love you all!

Love Your Cousin,
Sharon Beckman

Sharon Beckman - March 26, 2019 at 10:39 PM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Mary Margaret (Margie) Taliaferro Hukle.



March 26, 2019 at 08:52 PM



“ What a wonderful 6th grade teacher she was. I loved it when she read to the class.
Laurel Herrera

Laurel Herrera - March 26, 2019 at 06:43 PM



“ Mary Margaret Taliaferro was always one of my favorite teachers in Severy, Kansas. I was lucky enough to have her as an instructor two different times in school, during fourth grade and as a math/science/P.E. teacher in "middle school." Although I struggled learning the times table in the 4th, Mrs. Taliaferro never gave up on me, moving me to the front row so I could see the math she wrote on the blackboard (I needed glasses). Discussing her with my fellow students, we all agreed, "she's strict!," but she treated all students with respect and dignity. Once, I injured my foot playing softball; and was sitting in her classroom, loudly crying (while I waited for someone to pick me up). Mary Margaret said, "Now, quiet down; you're not hurt that badly!" The words, though somewhat unsympathetic, were just what I needed, and I immediately stopped wailing. As I became older, Mrs. Taliaferro allowed me to create "bulletin boards" for the school hallway and classroom, which was a treat for me. Looking back, she was probably glad she didn't have to make one that week! Talented in a variety of ways, I remember the first time she drew a beautiful perfect tree on the chalk board, displaying her artistic talent, and so impressive that the memory is still with me. As I became an adult, I enjoyed visiting with "Aunt Margie" even more than having her as a teacher; she was so knowledgeable, and full of life, humor, and happiness. I am sure all the angels and everyone else in heaven is gathering around her this very minute, listening to one of her funny stories about teaching and living her life. We will miss you. - Rebecca Vannocker



Rebecca Vannocker - March 26, 2019 at 06:29 PM



“ Love, Laura Hammond & Family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Mary Margaret (Margie) Taliaferro Hukle.



Love, Laura Hammond & Family - March 26, 2019 at 04:54 PM



“ What a wonderful woman Mary Margaret was to us, she shared her home while we visited with my sister Helen & Marty. Mary Margaret also shared some wonderful stories on her teaching moments that lit up her face with Joy. We are sure she will bring that Joy up to Heaven. May God Bless Mary Margaret and her Family. -- Mark & Diana Williams, Colorado



Mark & Diana Williams - March 26, 2019 at 02:54 PM



“ Danny And Stefni Hebb lit a candle in memory of Mary Margaret (Margie) Taliaferro Hukle



Danny and Stefni Hebb - March 26, 2019 at 01:33 PM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Mary Margaret (Margie) Taliaferro Hukle.



March 26, 2019 at 11:45 AM



“ Chip&Nancy Crum lit a candle in memory of Mary Margaret (Margie) Taliaferro Hukle



Chip&Nancy Crum - March 26, 2019 at 11:37 AM



“ From Mark&Diana Williams in Colorado purchased the Simply Chic Mixed Plant Basket for the family of Mary Margaret (Margie) Taliaferro Hukle.



From Mark&Diana Williams in Colorado - March 26, 2019 at 11:05 AM



“ Randy lit a candle in memory of Mary Margaret (Margie) Taliaferro Hukle



Randy - March 26, 2019 at 10:25 AM