



Margaret J. Bjorkquist, age 96, of Manistee, passed away peacefully Wednesday evening, September 21, 2016 at her home, with her family at her side.

She was born Margaret Jane Peterson in Manistee on December 31, 1919, the daughter of the late George and Hilda (Parlette) Peterson. On July 15, 1939 she was united in marriage to Richard A. 'Rip' Bjorkquist. He preceded her in

death on June 14, 1984.

She was a member of Good Shepherd Lutheran Church of Manistee and the LCW and Lydia Circle of the church.

Margaret is survived by her sons and daughters-in-law, Don & Joyce Bjorkquist & their families: Shari (Kipp) Church of North Carolina, Nathan (Lizz) Martz, Alice, Riker, Ethan & Derek Martz; Evan, Logan, Ben & Adam Church, Darci (Eddie) Scott, David (Ashley) Fortin, Damian, Isaiah & Colton, Erik (Lori) Bjorkquist: Danielle, Caiden & Ellyanna, Jason (Sheila Miley) Bjorkquist; Bill & Mary Bjorkquist & families: Kelly Bjorkquist (Mick Bowes) & Billy Wolff, Robin Christenson & family, Erin Christenson & Ali Bjorkquist, Wendy Bjorkquist (Lanny Peterson) & family; Adam Peterson and Anna Peterson; Jack & Janice Bjorkquist and daughter Lillian Margaret Bjorkquist; daughters and son-in-law, Hilda & Roy Edmondson and families: Gordon & Tine Edmondson & their children: Courtney (Nick) Morgan & their children Brailynn Morgan & Mariah Morgan, Caylah Funk, Cameron Edmondson & Christian Edmondson, Duke & Shareen Edmondson & their children: Liam, Brandi and Bobbie; Bill & Rachael Edmondson & their sons Hoyt & Drew Edmondson, Earl & Alisha Edmondson and their children: Larissa & Roy Edmondson; Marc & Olivia Edmondson & children: Sophie Belle, Easton Jacob, Abel Cole and Lincoln Hugh Edmondson, Leland Reed; Ann Margaret Ziehm & family: John M. & Deborah Ziehm and daughter Josephine, Patrick Allan Ziehm, Anne Rowe & family, Mitchell and Mya Margaret Ziehm. She is also survived by a sister-in-law, Carol Bjorkquist and by numerous nieces and nephews.

In addition to her husband and parents, Margaret was also preceded in death by a son-in-law, John Ziehm, by a grand daughter-in-law, Janette Edmondson, by grandson, David Bjorkquist, by a great granddaughter, Mary Ann Bjorkquist, by a great grandson Payton Mink, by a brother and sister-in-law, Roy & Lorraine Peterson and by her step father Gordon Engwall.

Celebration of Life will be held on Saturday, October 1st at 11:00 a.m. at the Good Shepherd Lutheran Church with Rev. Kevin McClain officiating. Burial will follow in Oak Grove Cemetery.

The family will receive friends at the church Friday, September 30th from 6 to 8 p.m.

In lieu of flowers, the family has suggested that those wanting to remember Margaret consider a gift in her memory to either Good Shepherd Lutheran Church or Little Mary's Hospitality House.

Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to the Johnson Funeral Home and Cremation of Manistee. Please visit our web site, www.johnson-funeral-home.com, where you can share memories with the family.