

In Loving Memory

Ruth Jane Peterson, daughter of Herman and Nina (Magnuson) Michaelson was born on August 26, 1925 in Alexandria, Mn. She graduated from Central High School in the class of 1943 and continued her education at the Duluth Business University. Ruth returned to Alexandria to marry her high school sweetheart, Clifford "Punt" Peterson, on July 9, 1948. They had two children, Marcia Jane and Thomas Clifford.

Ruth's first loves were her Lord, her family and her church. She was baptized in 1934 at First Baptist Church in Alexandria. She began playing piano for church services and weddings at the age of 15. Ruth continued to play organ and piano at First Baptist Church and Grace Church for decades. She provided countless special memories by providing music for family and friends at weddings, funerals, Sunday services and other special occasions.

Besides her musical talents, Ruth worked as the church secretary and helped with many church activities over the years. She worked as a legal secretary for various law firms in the area and taught at the Alexandria Area Technical College for over 15 years, teaching legal secretarial and other classes. Ruth also enjoyed her time as a member of P.E.O. chapter EL along with other community activities.

Ruth's family was always a priority. Her heart belonged to Clifford for over 67 years. Together they enjoyed family time on Lake Carlos and wintering in Scottsdale, Arizona for many years. Ruth loved to spend time with her children, grandchildren, and great grandchildren, praying for them and her extended family every night. She will forever be remembered as a wonderful prayer warrior.

Ruth is survived by her daughter, Marcia (Owen) Peterson of Saint Cloud, her son, Thomas (Lori) Peterson of Gilbert, AZ; grandchildren, Christian (Angela) Peterson and Meggie (Jonathan) Solorzano of Gilbert, AZ, Kara (Mike) Schroeder of Ham Lake, MN and Stacy (CJ) VanSluytman of Pittsburgh, PA; great grandchildren, Chloe and Benjamin Peterson, Starla, Tristian, and Autumn VanSluytman and Anna, Peter, and James Schroeder, her brother-in-law and sister-in-law Dick and Phyllis Peterson of Windsor, CO and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents, husband, Clifford, twin brothers and their wives, John and Nancy Michaelson and Jim and Barbara Michaelson.



Ruth Jane Peterson

1925 - 2018

The Twenty-Third Psalm

The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want.

He maketh me to lie down in green pastures:

He leadeth me beside the still waters.

*He restoreth my soul. He leadeth me in the
paths of righteousness for His name's sake.*

*Yea, though I walk through the valley of the
shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art
with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.*

*Thou preparest a table before me in the presence
of mine enemies: thou anointest my head with
oil: my cup runneth over.*

*Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me
all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the
house of the Lord forever.*

Celebrating the Life of

Ruth Jane Peterson

August 26, 1925 † December 16, 2018

Funeral Service

Grace Church
Alexandria, Minnesota

Thursday, January 3, 2019

11:00 AM

Opening Words

Owen Peterson

Officiant

Pastor Craig Dahl

Pianist

Dick Peterson

Soloists

Thomas Peterson Marcia Peterson

Psalm 23

Kara Schroeder

Obituary

Christian Peterson

A Granddaughter Remembers

Meggie Solorzano

Congregational Hymns

"How Great Thou Art"

"Day by Day"

Interment

Kinkead Cemetery
Alexandria, Minnesota



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