



# Margaret N. Hovey

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**D**ecatur-Margaret N. Hovey, 87, of North Fort Myers, Florida, formerly of Decatur, passed away at 1:38 a.m. Friday, July 24, 2009 in Little Rock, Arkansas.

Services to celebrate Margaret's life will be 2:00 pm. Thursday, July 30, 2009 at Graceland/Fairlawn Funeral Home with Pastor Bob Smith officiating. Visitation will be for one hour prior to the services at the funeral home. Interment with Flight Home Ceremony will be at Graceland Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to Hope Hospice of Fort Myers, FL or to the charity of your choice. Online condolences and memories may be shared with the family at [www.gracelandfairlawn.com](http://www.gracelandfairlawn.com).

Margaret was born July 19, 1922 in Harristown, Illinois the daughter of C. Ross and Clara (Eaden) Brady. She graduated from Decatur High School. Margaret enjoyed traveling, antiques, live theater productions, cooking, and baking Christmas cookies. She married John A. Hovey. John preceded her in death on May 23, 1983.

She leaves behind her sons; John K. (Karen) Hovey of Little Rock, AR and Kevin M. Hovey of Little Rock, AR, daughters; Susan C. Hovey of St. Louis, MO and Mary (Daniel) Wanat of Germantown, TN, brother; Glen Brady of Tuscon, AZ, sisters; Betty Marcantil of Nederland, TX, Charlotte Reed of Kingman, AZ, and Lorene Brady of Hammond, IN. Margaret was a loving grandmother to Rebecca Wanat, Matthew Wanat, Aimee Hovey, John C. (Merisha) Hovey, John L. (Julie) Hovey, Jonathon W. Hovey, and Samuel C. Hovey, four great-grandchildren, aunt to many nieces and nephews, and loving dear friend to many.

She was reunited in heaven with her parents, husband, son; Dennis A. Hovey, sisters; Dorothy Moutray, Opal Carter, Erma Stivers, and Barbara Brady, and brothers; Carl Brady, Ronald Brady, and Paul Brady.



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AS

**Amy Whitwell(Soph)** posted:

I'm sorry to see you all hurting so much. But sometimes words aren't enough. But she with your dad now in heaven. But be grateful for the times she has cared, and for the comfort and advice she has shared to you. Hold on to the memories near to your heart and create new one with your family. Try to follow in her footsteps and live life to the fullest and put on a smile. That what I remember about her. WISHING YOU MY THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS. WITH SMPATHY, AMY WHITWELL (SOPH)

August 3 at 7:57 PM

MZ

**Mary Soph-Zweifel** posted:

Margaret was a beautiful person. I will always remember the wonderful family trips to Kentucky and Florida. I remember doing a lot of fun activities with her such as playing dress-up in her night gowns, getting up early to horse back ride, taking us to see shows put on locally by college students and going to the Shell Factory in Florida. She taught me how to play gin-rummy. She had the patience to play cards with me for hours. Another fond memory was her cooking wonderful breakfasts and dinners (especially the fish fries in Kentucky). It seems to me like we often had strawberry shortcake on the menu for a treat. As an adult I look back in wonder, as she seemed to have as much fun participating with us children in these activities as we did. Her ability to give of herself to children was very genuine. That is a rare gift and she has no doubt made so many children happy during her lifetime. I know she will be greatly missed by the Soph family.

July 31 at 7:21 AM

LU

**Larry And Helen Ulrich** posted:

JOHN=IT IS WITH OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHY THAT WE CAN EXPRESS FOR THE LOSS OF YOUR MOTHER, MARGARET. FROM ALL OF US IN WISCONSIN==LARRY, HELEN, LARRY J., MAGGIE, CINDY, TOM, SANDRA, DIANE. WITH OUR LOVE.

July 30 at 9:07 AM

RU

**Rosie And Bob Upton** posted:

No words can express the sorrow felt at the loss of Margaret, mother, grandmother and friend to many. She was truly a Lady and joy to be around. I thank God for giving me the opportunity to have known her. During this difficult time we send our love and prayers to you, Susan, and your family. Rosie and Bob Upton Dallas, TX

July 30 at 5:02 AM



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VF

**Virgie Franklin** posted:

I will miss you margaret ! Thank you for everything you did for me. Thank you so much for having Susan and letting me call her my friend! Always, Virgie

July 29 at 10:38 AM

LL

**Lisa Lockhart** posted:

Cherishing the memories of someone who I feel privileged to have known. You are all in my thoughts. With love, Lisa Lockhart

July 29 at 8:31 AM

MS

**Marian And David Sutarik** posted:

Margaret was always there for everyone to help in whatever way she could. She had so much passion for life and dearly loved her family. We will truly miss her, and would like to extend our deepest sympathys to the Hovey family.

July 28 at 7:35 PM

DS

**Diane Soph** posted:

Margaret was my mentor, sometimes mother and friend. Mostly friend. We shared the same birthday, July 19, and for many years would get together on or around that date to celebrate. The past few years, we would just talk on the phone, but that was good too. I cherish the memories I have of her. Margaret's passing is a great loss. Your entire kfamily has my deepest sympathy. I always told her that she was my role model, She always will be.

July 28 at 4:12 PM

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July 28 at 4:09 PM



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BS

**Beth Soph** posted:

I will always have the memory and be reminded of the memory, by my family, of visiting Margret in Florida and insisting on sitting in her refrigerator. I'm sure Margret found this behavior very peculiar, as would anyone!

July 28 at 1:07 PM

BM

**Betty Mosgrove** posted:

Margaret was a lovely lady.I played bridge with her at Herons Glen in Florida. She also enjoyed her poker club.My sincere sympathy to her familyBetty Mosgrove

July 28 at 1:05 PM

DS

**Donald J. Soph** posted:

With deepest sympathy to the Hovey family at Margaret's passing. I will always remember the times at Kentucky Lake and Fort Meyers, FL my family spent with Margaret and the Hovey family. We had such great times and I will cherish the memories forever. Thank you, Margaret, for making those visits such a wonderful experience. I love you and will miss you.

July 28 at 8:44 AM

PS

**Pam Shields** posted:

It was my privilege to know such a wonderful person; she was always so full of life.Thoughts and prayers to all her family, especially, Mary, Dan, Becca, and Matt. Love you guys! Pam

July 28 at 5:11 AM

JH

**John, Merisha And J.D. Hovey** posted:

In loving memory of a woman who always lived life to the fullest. She was truly an amazing person, and we are going to miss her so much.

July 28 at 4:56 AM

JR

**Jeff, Lori, Emma And Ruth Ricketts** posted:

God bless you with cherished memories and His peace. We love you.

July 27 at 6:22 PM



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**Celia And Wayne Anthony** posted:

You will be in our thoughts and prayers for the weeks ahead. With love to you all! Celia and Wayne

July 27 at 9:15 AM



**Jennifer Pilant** posted:

You all are in our thoughts and prayers!! We love you! Jennifer, Garret, Addison and Mckenna

July 27 at 8:58 AM



## **Memories only last if you share them**

Join us in honoring Margaret by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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