



Margaret J. Pendergast

October 25, 1936 - February 27, 2017

Margaret Pendergast, 80, of North Aurora, went to Heaven on February 27, 2017 to be with God. Margaret was born in Aurora, IL on October 25, 1936, the youngest daughter of Michael and Theresa (Salerno) Covelli. She graduated from Jacksonville Illinois School for the Deaf. She recently moved to North Aurora from Rockford, IL, where she attended services at Holy Family Catholic church, but mostly with the Deaf Apostolate of the Catholic Church of Rockford. She attended St. Joseph Catholic Church in Aurora since she moved here from Rockford.

She had many talents, but most knew her for the extensive knitting that she did for her family and the poor. Her projects included scarves, blankets, mittens, hats and Christmas decorations. She was an assistant teacher for the deaf children in the schools in Rockford and also worked at Liberty Mutual for many years.

She leaves to cherish in her memory her 6 nieces and nephews, Dr. Henry (Rhonda) Covelli of Post Falls, ID, Judith (Geoff) Mehl of Henryville, PA, Kathryn (the late Stan) Stratton of Marietta, GA, Cheri (Don) Thurow of North Aurora, IL, Michael (Jeri) Covelli, Jr. of North Aurora, IL, and Donna (Dave) Covelli-Clausen of Forsyth, MO; and many grand-nieces and grand-nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents Michael and Theresa Covelli; her

brothers and sisters, Michael (Laverne) Covelli, Edward Covelli, Mildred (George) Bonie, Mafalda Mahaney and Margaret Covelli; and she leaves behind numerous friends who were her extended family.

A memorial Mass will be held on Thursday March 9, 2017 at 10:00 AM at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Aurora, IL. Monsignor Glenn Nelson will officiate with interment to follow at Mt. Olivet Cemetery. Arrangements were handled by THE DALEIDEN MORTUARY, 220 N. Lake St., Aurora, 630-631-5500. Please visit our interactive website at www.daleidenmortuary.com where you may leave condolences for Margaret's family.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Diocese of Rockford, Deaf Apostolate, Monsignor Glenn Nelson, PO Box 7044, Rockford, IL 61125

Cemetery Details

Mt. Olivet Cemetery

278 Ashland Avenue
Aurora, IL 60505

Previous Events

Memorial Mass

MAR 9. 10:00 AM (CT)

St. Joseph Church
722 High Street
Aurora, IL 60505
1-630-844-7380

Interment

MAR 9 (CT)

Mt. Olivet Cemetery
278 Ashland Avenue
Aurora, IL 60505

Tribute Wall

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“ Margaret and I were friends for 40 years. As my Teacher's Aide and my friend, she taught me so much about Deaf culture and ASL. She was an outstandingly mentor for the Deaf students in Rockford Public Schools.

I admired her strength through adversity. I enjoyed her sense of humor. My family's move to San Diego did not lessen our friendship. See you in Eternity precious friend. I love you.

Nancy (Urbanski) Denen - March 03, 2017 at 06:45 PM

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“ Thanks Margaret for the many memories in many events, picnics, birthday parties and others. We love you. XOXO

Nathan Frederick and Pamela Golliver

Nathan Frederick - March 03, 2017 at 05:09 PM

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“ Margaret has been a beautiful friend of mine since 1978. We enjoyed going out for dinner and chatting. She was wonderful to my sons and spent time with them. She touched our hearts forever. I was blessed to call her my friend.

Betty Thomas - March 03, 2017 at 04:20 PM