



Marianne E. Schirmer

August 18, 1935 - March 27, 2019

Marianne E. Schirmer, 83, of Marengo, died March 27, 2019, in her home. Born August 18, 1935, in Medford, WI., the 5th daughter and 10th child of Eric and Julia (Olson) Carlson. She attended elementary school in a one-room school in the town of Holway and was baptized, confirmed and married at Our Savior Lutheran Church. She graduated from Medford High School in 1953 and married Irving Schirmer of Rib Lake, on August 4, 1956, who survives her.

Together they had five children. Her first three children preceded her in death; infant daughter, Margaret Kirsten; son, Wesley James; and daughter, Julienne Clare.

She is survived by her daughter, Carole (JD) Peters; and son, Daniel (Cari) Schirmer; her grandchildren, Joshua (Michael) Peters, Mark (Amanda) Peters, Jess Stieneke, Annie Schirmer and Allison Schirmer; and sister, Lucille Buehler.

Marianne was a woman of strong faith, strength, and resilience. She cared deeply for others. After losing her first two children at a very young age, she agreed to take in foster children to fill the void of her significant loss. Later on, she and her husband offered to take in several young men who would reside in their home and learn a trade of working in their automobile radiator shop located on the family farm.

Marianne was a 45-year member at St. John's Lutheran Church in Union, where she enjoyed her bible studies and volunteering her time. She was a member of the LWML, Altar Guild, Choir and for several years led the Teen League.

Irving and Marianne enjoyed working together on their 84-acre family farm in Marengo where they had three gardens, raised beagle hounds, dairy goats, chickens, rabbits, horses, and her dachshunds. Being outdoors brought Marianne great joy. She loved grading the driveway, mowing lawns, caring for the property, the animals they raised and teaching her children a strong work ethic. She also enjoyed fishing. Her favorite spot to fish was at the Big Rock on the Jump River in Ogema, Wisconsin. She loved her grandchildren and especially enjoyed coloring Easter eggs on Good Friday.

Visitation to be held Sunday, March 31, 2019, from 3:00-7:00 p.m. at St. John's Lutheran Church, Union and continues Monday, April 1, 2019, in the church from 10 am until the Celebration of Life service at 11 am. In Lieu of flowers memorials to the family for a fund to be determined at a later date. Inurnment will be held later this spring in Medford, Wisconsin

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 31. 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

St. John's Lutheran Church
6821 Main Street
Union, IL 60180

Service

APR 1. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

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“ I have never met Mrs. Schirmer, but when I read her obituary, I was touched by the mention of her love of fishing on the Jump River in Ogema, WI. We had family friends, Wilmer and Norma Krutz, that owned 40 acres where County I continued as a dirt road right to the Jump River. Although we lived in Chicago, our family spent every Memorial Day weekend camping there when I was young, passing through Medford on our way up Highway 13 to Ogema. We did a lot of fishing at a "Big Rock" right at the end of that road -- I wonder if it was the same one she frequented? You have my condolences. Thanks for reminding me of some great memories with my family -- in all these years, I never knew of anyone else that was familiar with that beautiful area. Scott

Scott Stevens - April 01, 2019 at 10:49 AM

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“ Your mom was very special to me, We sought each other out many times for advise and just caring for each other. She was a wonderful woman that cared for you and so many others. I loved her and share with you in your grief. Life can be tough; but then so are we. We are pretty resilient. We move on through are bad times with our faith. Please know that you are in my thoughts and prayers. Love, Connee Meschini

connee meschini - March 31, 2019 at 12:17 PM