

*M*argie Hammer, age 83, a lifetime resident of Storm Lake, Iowa, died Sunday October 15, 2006 at the Buena Vista Regional Medical Center in Storm Lake.



Margie Marie Staton was born on August 13, 1923 to George Staton and Florence (Manska) Staton in Denver, Minnesota. She was baptized in the Lutheran faith at St. John Lutheran Church in Storm Lake. She graduated high school from Sulpher Springs High School.

On June 15, 1947 Marge was united in marriage to Arnold Hammer, Jr. in Storm Lake. The couple was blessed with a son, James.

Marge worked for many years at My Lady on Fifth, and The Women's Shop in downtown Storm Lake as a sales clerk. She retired in 1994 after 27 years of retail service. Marge was a member of St. John Lutheran Church in Storm Lake. In her spare moments, Marge enjoyed cooking and baking for her family and friends. Marge and Jr. enjoyed taking their fifth wheel trailer to go camping during the summer months. Marge loved to go to the farmers market and to auctions.

Margie is survived by her son, James and his wife, Vicki, of Mangilao Guam; grandson Joshua of Camp Lejune, North Carolina; granddaughter, Kylie of Mangilao, Guam; brother Leo (Shirley) Staton of Sac City, Iowa; brother Dean (Shirley) Staton of Lake View, Iowa; sister Joan (Leroy) Vauble of Sac City, Iowa; sister Marilyn (Raymond) Mentzer of Early, Iowa; as well as her extended family and a host of dear and special friends including Fern Crowley, Brad and Sondra Raveling, Sally Breecher and Dietrich Reiman.

Marge was preceded in death by her husband Arnold Hammer, Jr.; her parents, George and Florence Staton; her sisters, Martha Breon, Katherine Birt; and her brothers: Lee Staton, Clair Staton, Jimmy Staton and Roland Staton.




Remembering...

A Special Life



Margie Hammer

1923—2006



Death beckoned her with outstretched hand
And whispered softly of "An Unknown Land."

But she was not afraid to go,
For though the path she did not know,
She took Death's Hand without a fear,
For He who safely brought her here
Had told her He would lead the way
Into Eternity's Bright Day.
And so she did not go alone
Into the "Valley That's Unknown."
She gently took Death by the hand
And journeyed to "The Promised Land."
And there, with step so light and gay,
She polishes the sun by day
And lights the stars that shine at night
And keeps the moonbeams silvery bright.
For mothers never really die,
They just "Keep House Up In The Sky."
And in the Heavenly home above,

They wait to welcome those they love.

~ author unknown

*W*e wish to express our gratitude for your kindnesses, as evidenced in thought and deed, and for your attendance at this service. Please join us for lunch and a time of fellowship and sharing at the church, following the committal service at the cemetery.



Margie's Family

IN MEMORY OF

Margie Hammer

August 13, 1923  October 15, 2006

FUNERAL SERVICE

Thursday, October 19 2006 at 10:30 a.m.
St. John Lutheran Church — Storm Lake Iowa

CLERGY

Reverend Bruce Lesemann

ORGANIST

Denise Betts

CONGREGATIONAL HYMNS

"Rock of Ages"

"What A Friend We Have In Jesus"

"Old Rugged Cross"

HONORARY CASKETBEARER

Margie's Grandson, Joshua Hammer

CASKETBEARERS

*Tracy Bengston, Loren Bengston, Jeff Mentzer
David Mentzer, Kevin Johnson, Charlie Hansen*

INTERMENT

*Buena Vista Memorial Park Cemetery
Storm Lake, Iowa*



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