

Margaret Martenson Emch

Margaret Martenson Emch, 78, of Maynard, Minn., died Saturday, Feb. 5, 2011, at Woodbury Care Center in Woodbury, Minn.

A funeral service will be held Friday, Feb. 11, at 1 p.m. at Granite Falls Lutheran Church in Granite Falls, Minn. Interment will be in Granite Falls Cemetery. Anderson Funeral Home in Montevideo, Minn., is in charge of arrangements.

She was born May 31, 1932, in Fargo, N.D., the daughter of Ernest and Mathea Hexom Samuelson. She graduated from West Fargo High School in 1950 and from Moorhead State Teachers College in 1954. She was united in marriage with James Martenson on June 19 1960, in West Fargo, N.D.

She was a member of Maynard Presbyterian Church, its women's group, Presbytery Coordinating Team and Partners in Faith, Life and Witness Committee. She also was active in the Lions Club of which she was a recipient of its Melvin Jones Award; the Maynard Garden Club; had received the Helen Keller Sight Award; and served on the Community Concert Series board of directors.

Her husband James died on March 6, 2005. She was united in marriage with Richard Emch on Sept. 19, 2010.

She is survived by her husband, Richard; one son, John Martenson of Gilman; two daughters, Mary Fontaine of Woodbury, Minn., and Martha Martenson of Kennebunkport, Maine; three grandchildren; and one brother Dr. Erwin Samuelson of Palos Verdes Estates, Calif. She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband; and one granddaughter, Angel Christine Martenson.

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