Norma Ann McGuire, 73, formally of Marengo, loving mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, sister, aunt and friend entered eternal peace on June 15, 2013, after a long struggle with Primary Progressive Aphasia (PPA) at Parkview Manor in Wellman.

A funeral service was held at 10:30 a.m. on Tuesday, June 18, at St. James Lutheran Church in Victor with Pastor Michael Kolesar officiating. Interment was at the Ohio Cemetery in rural Ladora following a luncheon.

Norma was a member of St. James Lutheran Church in Victor. Her faith was strong and she was very devoted to church. She was baptized on June 9, 1940, by Pastor Young and was confirmed on April 11, 1954, by Pastor Weiss.

Norma had many passions. She loved to cheer on the Iowa Hawkeyes and the Chicago Cubs. Norma also loved flowers and tending to her garden. She enjoyed cooking for others and hosting family gatherings, especially Easter.

She had a love for the outdoors and during the summer months you could find Norma camping at Lake Iowa and the Iowa State Fair. She was a devoted fan of the Iowa State Fair which she attended nearly every year.

Norma is survived by her children, Jill Happel of Brooklyn, Paula (Dave) Doran of Ladora, Jay (Tess) Coghlan of Marengo; step-daughters, Barb (Terry) McGahuey of Ladora and Pat Fry of Smyrna, Tenn.; grandchildren, Tyler (Samantha) Happel, Tawny Happel, Connor and Mariah Doran, Dawson Coghlan, Jenny (Brian) Schnebbe, Jessie (Ben) Van Waus, Matt (Lezlie) Fry and Mike (Kelly) Fry; great-grandchildren, Malcolm Happel, Michael & Nicole Schnebbe, Owen, Olivia, and Aiden Van Waus and Hayden Fry; sisters Lois (Leland) Winegarden of Deep River and Bev (Rich) Schrader of Greeley, Colo.

She is preceded in death by her parents, Harvey and Martha, husband, John; brother, Jerry Wiedemeier; nephew, Mark Widmer, brother-in-law, Richard Widmer.

Record 6-20-2013