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## Marian Menk Wasson



Marian Menk Wasson, 84, of Moline, Ill., died Thursday, Aug. 26, in Trinity-Rock Island.

A service was held Monday morning at Riverside United Methodist Church in Moline with cremation following and burial in Fairlawn Cemetery, Decatur, Ill. Memorials may be made to the music fund at Riverside United Methodist Church.

She was born Feb. 17, 1926, in Staunton, Ill., the daughter of Hugh and Grace Camp Menk. She was a graduate of Milliken University in Decatur, Ill. She was united in marriage with Van R. Wasson on July 29, 1950, in Staunton. He died on Nov. 28, 2004. In her earlier years, she was a vocal music teacher in Davenport and director of music at Riverside United Methodist Church in Moline.

She was an active member of Riverside United Methodist Church, singing in the church choir for many years, serving on its administrative board and as president of United Methodist Women. She also was a member of Chapter BL, P.E.O.; Zeta Tau Alpha sorority; Sigma Alpha Iota music sorority; Chapter #616, Order of the Eastern Star in Staunton; Rock Island County Historical Society; Col. Davenport House Historical Foundation; and a long-time volunteer for Meals on Wheels.

She is survived by two daughters, Denise Freyenberger of Wayland, Iowa, and Diane Eberhart of Grinnell; four grandchildren and three great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband, one brother Merlin Menk and one sister, Harriett Olive Menk.