

Margaret Pope

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Margaret Pope, 93, of Victor, died Tuesday, Nov. 10, 2015, at Brooklyn Community Estates.

A visitation was held from Thursday afternoon at the Smith Funeral Home in Victor, with a rosary at 4 and a scripture service at 7.

Mass of the Resurrection will be held at 10 a.m., Friday, Nov. 13, at St. Bridget Catholic Church in Victor with the Rev. Brian Shepley, pastor of the church, officiating.

Music will be provided by Marilyn Kriegel, organist, and the church choir.

Casket bearers will be grandchildren Jeff Gryp, Janelle Larkin, Brad Schafbuch, Dawn Thys, Julie Cline and Steve Kriegel.

Honorary bearers will be grandchildren, Scott, Greg, Brian, Johnette, Joel, Jolene, Mark, Renae, Matt, Doug and Steve.

Interment will be at the Calvary Cemetery in Victor.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be directed to the Margaret Pope Memorial Fund and sent in care of the Smith Funeral Home, P.O. Box 485, Victor, Iowa 52347.

Margaret was born on Jan. 10, 1922, to James and Dorothy Pepper McGarry in rural Victor. She was raised on the family farm and graduated from St. John's High School in 1939.

On Jan. 7, 1941, she married Merle Pope at St. Bridget Church in Victor. The couple farmed for several years near Millersburg and later near Victor before moving into Victor in 1954. Margaret was employed at HLV schools as the secretary for the superintendent for 25 years.

She enjoyed spending time with her grandchildren, bowling, playing cards, golfing and traveling to Europe and throughout the United States. Margaret was a member of the Altar & Rosary Society, a 75-year member of the American Legion Women's Auxiliary and a long time member of the Belle Plaine Country Club.

She is survived by her daughters, Jean Gryp of Victor, Joan Schafbuch of Victor, Mary Ellen Kriegel of Toledo, and Marcia Shults of Grinnell; two sisters, Dorothy Nogal of Bellingham, Wash., and Genevieve Davies of Williamsburg; 16 grandchildren; 44 great-grandchildren; and 25 great-great grandchildren.

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