



Margaret Simas

February 22, 1932 - April 7, 2015

Margaret Mary Simas passed away Tuesday, April 7, 2015 in Medford at the age of 83. She was a 64 year resident of Yreka.

Margaret was born February 22, 1932 in Ashland, daughter of Martin and Mary Rodriguez. Margaret was married for 51 years to the love of her life, John William Simas, who passed away in February of 2005. Margaret worked as a clerk for Rite Aid (formerly Payless Drug) in Yreka for 27 years, retiring at the age of 80. She was usually the person who trained new retail clerks on the registers, but many knew her as a friendly cashier with a warm greeting. She stayed in her job so long because she truly loved her work. She thought of her co-workers like a family. She enjoyed helping people, especially the elderly, and a lot of people she helped as customers soon became friends.

Margaret enjoyed working in her yard planting flowers, tending her rose bushes, and mowing her lawn. She always had a garden from which she would make her well-known canned salsa and canned jalapenos. Margaret loved reading her Bible, and especially attending Bible Study, where she would meet new friends on a regular basis.

In her spare time, Margaret enjoyed to read, go for walks, sew and at least once, if not twice per month, take a trip to Medford for some shopping and a visit to see her son, John, and her granddaughters. Most importantly, Margaret

delighted in her family, spending every moment she could with her children and grandchildren. She was always looking forward to visits, birthdays, holidays, and events that would bring them all together, such as her own surprise 80th birthday party three years ago. She quite simply loved life, God, and her precious family. She was an amazing wife, mother, grandmother, friend, and her family and friends will miss her, but certainly never forget her.

Margaret was preceded in death by her husband, John Simas, a brother, Daniel Rodriguez; a sister, Helen Rice; and her parents, Martin & Mary Rodriguez. She is survived by her four children: Patty & Ken Dooley of Yreka, Jackie & Darren Henry of Dallas, TX, John Simas, Jr., of Eagle Point, and Anthony & Katrina Simas of Franklin, OH; 5 brothers: Salvador, Marty, Raymond, Ronnie, and Donnie Rodriguez; a sister, Mary Alice Hargis; close sister-in-law, Vera Rodriguez; 9 grandchildren: Nathan (Tiffany) Dooley, Travis (Ashley) Dooley, Heather (Ed) Rodriguez, Jennifer (Hisidro) Smith, Ashley Simas, Andrea Simas, Jonathan (Jenny) Gregory, Sean Simas, and Shea Simas; 4 great grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews.

Recitation of the Rosary will be held Friday, April 17, at 7:00 p.m. at Girdner Funeral Chapel in Yreka. A Memorial Mass of Christian Burial will be held Saturday, April 18, at 10:30 a.m. at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Yreka, with inurnment to follow in St. Joseph's Catholic Cemetery. Memorial donations may be made to Madrone Hospice House, 255 Collier Circle, Yreka, or to a charity of your choice.

Cemetery Details

St. Joseph's Catholic Cemetery

Yreka, AK 96097

Previous Events

Rosary

APR 17. 7:00 PM (PT)

Girdner Funeral Chapel
202 S. Oregon St.
Yreka, CA 96097
(530) 842-3434

Memorial Mass of Christian Burial

APR 18. 10:30 AM (PT)

St. Joseph Catholic Church
314 Fourth Street
Yreka, CA 96097

Tribute Wall

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“ i have known and been friends with Margaret for 63 years. i first met her in 1952 when we both lived in Dunsmuir. Jack was Buds best man at our wedding and he met Margaret shortly after we were married and he brought her to our house and we have been friends since and we have done so many things together i will really miss her but know she is now home with Jack . you will be with me for ever

Betty Eastlick - April 17, 2015 at 04:16 PM



“ Blooming Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Margaret Simas.



April 15, 2015 at 01:08 PM

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“ i have so many memories that there is no way i could share them all .Margaret.Jack Bud and i spent so much time together , later years after our children were grown we did so much together going to the lake and camping and boating i remember a New years eve when they came to Crescent City where we had a house that night we ate dinner at Dennys and new years day we couldnt find a turkey to buy so we cooked a salmon that i had in the freeze and had such a good time and when we lived in Fort Jones they spent a lot of week ends with us. we played a lot of pinhole. i could go on and on .Jackie Patty, John and Anthony I loved your Mother and i will miss her very much.

Betty Eastlick - April 13, 2015 at 11:45 PM