



## Margie E. Riitters

October 30, 1921 - September 27, 2020

Margie E. Riitters, 98 year old resident of Little Falls, MN formerly of Randall, MN passed away Sunday, September 27, 2020 at the Little Falls Care Center in Little Falls, MN. A private family graveside service will take place at the Minnesota State Veterans Cemetery north of Little Falls, MN.

Margie was born on October 30, 1921, in Little Falls, Minnesota to the late Henry H. Gosch and Marguerite (Evans) Gosch. She was raised in Randall, Minnesota, where her family owned Gosch's Grocery Store for over 100 years. Margie attended Dr. S.G. Knight Elementary School, and Little Falls High School graduating in 1939. After high school, she attended St. Cloud Teacher's College where she graduated, specializing in Physical Education and Health. Margie taught Physical Education and Health at St. Francis High School in Little Falls, and then finished her career in the Little Falls School District. She was united in marriage to Vern Riitters in 1945, and the couple made their home in Randall, Minnesota. Margie was a lifelong member of Randall Presbyterian Church, where she was active in their educational programs, doing historical research for their anniversary celebrations, and helping wherever she could. She was an enthusiastic advocate for the students in the districts, writing grants for enrichment programs and establishing the "late bus", so rural kids could easily participate in activities. When there was spare time, Margie and Vern filled it by attending programs/events that the kids and grandkids were involved in. She loved

gardening, reading, and baking.

Margie is survived by children, Robert (Kathy) Riitters of Little Falls, MN, Jon (Sally) Riitters of Little Falls, MN/Sarasota, FL, Kurt (Megan) Riitters of Chapel Hill, NC, and Jane (Ed) Meyer of Thompson, ND; daughter-in-law, Juliette Riitters; 6 grandchildren and several great-grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews.

Margie was preceded in death by her husband of 52 years, Vern; son, Jay; daughter-in-law, Bobbie Riitters; sisters, Lucille Lewis, Elaine Larson, and Marilyn Mahling.

The family of Margie would like to thank the caring staff at Bridgeway over the last 10 years and most recently at the Little Falls Care Center.

Condolences may be sent to the Riitters family c/o Bob Riitters: 511 Oak Drive, Randall, MN 56475.

# Cemetery Details

## **Minnesota State Veterans Cemetery**

15550 Highway 115  
Little Falls, MN

# Tribute Wall



“ *Margie E. Riitters*

January 21, 2023 at 11:59 AM



“ *Just wanted to tell you again how much I miss you Margie. I have had to straighten my crown few times this week and have had to suck up my buttercup thanks to you . Horton seems to be adjusting well here I know you filled him in on everything and he is helping me cope .I miss you every day and talk to Horton like your here . Dad says your watching over me now and I feel you are to . You know what kind of a week this and not only you are gone but you know what else is happening and I know your right here with me .Thank you my dear dear friend . Thank you Jane for sharing your mom with me . She is telling us to straighten up our crowns . And I'm sure she is getting her halo straighted out as I write. Dana Obama misses Margie bobargie.. I'm not saying goodbye lady ..you know that's not me.. its SEE YA LATER... LOVE U. DANA*



Dana Ruth Johnson - October 02, 2020 at 01:18 AM

CI

“ These are some of the things Margie said pretty regularly ; I think her favorite was the Lord willing and the creek don't rise. Routine, routine. Margie was always concerned about routine and as long as she stuck with her routine she'd be fine. She Always had a cause, one big one was the heppa laws; oh she hated those because they interfered with her being able to care for people. Oh one cause she was proud of, was accomplishing the late bus. My heart aches and I miss her deeply, she was most precious to me and i have always treasured our times together. I believe our visits were equal highlights to our several years together. I was never the same after meeting Margie as she was the type of person that just loved and cared for and about you, she was pretty much a great example of a selfless, most loving genuine woman. I am so so sorry for your great loss, I will always remember our many laughs together, and I am thankful to have had the privilege of knowing Margie

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**Carol Infinger** - October 01, 2020 at 08:31 PM

JK

“ Judi Kosbau lit a candle in memory of Margie  
E. Riitters



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**Judi Kosbau** - October 01, 2020 at 08:07 PM

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**Carol Infinger** - October 01, 2020 at 12:21 AM

SW

“ Margie was a neighbor of my Mom when she lived at Bridgway, and Mom made a great impression on Margie. Margie had a problem with UTI my husband told her what her problem was, it was UTI U Talk Incessantly! She loved it, even to the point of telling her Doctor! She and Stan shared "lies" frequently. She was a real JOY!! And will be missed.



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**Stan and Dolores Wielinski** - September 30, 2020 at 01:39 PM

CK

“ Thoughts and prayers ♡



Christine Kleven - September 30, 2020 at 12:53 AM

RS

“ Bob, Jane & Jon, we are saddened to hear of your mother's passing. In spite of years it is difficult to have them leave to heaven's care. Please know that our thoughts and prayers go with you and your families.

Ray & Dianna Schulte - September 29, 2020 at 01:29 PM

NK

My sister and I got to know your mom while our dad was at Bridgeway. What a nice lady! It was a joy to visit with her. Our sympathy to your family.

Nona Koester - September 30, 2020 at 04:49 PM

CM

“ Claudette Moran lit a candle in memory of Margie E. Riitters



Claudette Moran - September 29, 2020 at 02:54 AM

MS

“ *Mark And Pam Savage lit a candle in memory of Margie E. Riitters*



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**Mark and Pam Savage** - September 28, 2020 at 10:15 PM

VA

“ *Marge was a very wise, wonderful, and kind women. She will be greatly missed by all who knew her. My deepest sympathy to all her family and friends. Thinking of all of you, Vonnie Anthony*



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**Vonnie Anthony** - September 28, 2020 at 07:26 PM

AE

“ *Andy And Sharon (Matros) Engelhardt lit a candle in memory of Margie E. Riitters*



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**Andy and Sharon (Matros) Engelhardt** - September 28, 2020 at 07:22 PM

DJ

“ *Dana Johnson lit a candle in memory of Margie E. Riitters*



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**Dana Johnson** - September 28, 2020 at 07:16 PM

DJ

“ Suck it up Buttercup that's what Margie would be telling us all now if she were here.. God gained a great one this week and I'm sure she is straightening out her halo as I write . Words can't explain Margie how much I'm going to miss you ! Your laughter and smiles your stories.. the old movies we watched .. the long chats we had . So much in common. I'm forever grateful that you left me Horton and I can't wait to tell him my secrets to. Love you and you will be forever in my heart . Your forever friend, Dana Johnson

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**Dana Johnson** - September 28, 2020 at 07:13 PM

MP

“ My sympathy to the Ritters family. Oh how we enjoyed Margie's visits to Amazing Love when she visited one of our residents, and those sugar cookies of hers would melt in your mouth.I also remember her calling another resident of ours everyday. What a faithful friend she was.She was one special lady. Rest well in Jesus arms my friend.

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**Marie Poling** - September 28, 2020 at 04:27 PM

GM

“ We are so sorry for your loss. Margie was a very special person and Mom's best friend. Geri & Jim McLennan.

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**Geri & Jim McLennan** - September 28, 2020 at 03:39 PM

CS

“ *Margie was my teacher, my colleague as a faculty member of St. Francis High School, and friend--always challenging me with her new, and sometimes far out ideas. I love this picture of her. If you look into those eyes, she is getting ready to speak her mind on any one of the many subjects for which she had an opinion! With gratitude for our friendship. I miss you, dear friend.*  
*Sister Carol Schmit, osf*

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**Carol Schmit** - September 28, 2020 at 02:12 PM

PW

“ *Margie was such a good friend to my mom and a wonderful lady. Sympathy and prayers for the family.*



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**Pam (Martinson) Weber** - September 28, 2020 at 12:47 PM

DD

“ *Deepest sympathy to your whole family. Sending prayers and hugs. Love Mike & Diane Drew*



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**Diane Drew** - September 28, 2020 at 11:35 AM

DD

“ *Diane Drew lit a candle in memory of Margie E. Riitters*



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**Diane Drew** - September 28, 2020 at 11:33 AM

AA

“ Annie Adamski lit a candle in memory of Margie E. Riitters



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**Annie Adamski** - September 28, 2020 at 11:19 AM

DL

“ Donna And Rick Lundgren sent a virtual gift in memory of Margie E. Riitters



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**Donna and Rick Lundgren** - September 28, 2020 at 11:15 AM

DL

*Deepest Sympathy, so sorry for your loss. Love and Hugs to the family.*

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**Donna and Rick Lundgren** - September 28, 2020 at 11:21 AM

JB

“ So Very Sorry to the Riitters Family!!! She was a very special person, my neighbor for many years in Randall!!! Rest In Peace Sweet Lady!!!!



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**Jeri Betts** - September 28, 2020 at 10:23 AM

DB

“ Donna Beaty lit a candle in memory of Margie E. Riitters



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**Donna Beaty** - September 28, 2020 at 07:08 AM

JC

“ Our deepest sympathy “ Mrs. Paul (Joyce) Crowder and Family



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**Joyce I Crowder** - September 27, 2020 at 10:32 PM

DM

*Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. She was a very special lady! Joe & Dorothy Masog*

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**Dorothy Masog** - October 04, 2020 at 11:23 AM