



Margaret Tigges

October 9, 1942 - March 13, 2026

With deep love and gratitude for a life so beautifully lived, we announce the peaceful passing of Margaret “Marge” (Oswald) Tigges, age 83, of Carroll, Iowa, who entered into eternal rest on March 13, 2026, surrounded by the love of her family.

Mass of the Christian Burial will be celebrated at 10:30 a.m. on Wednesday, March 18, 2026, at St. John Paul II Parish-Holy Spirit Church in Carroll. The Celebrant will be Father Peter Pham assisted by Deacon Dale Tigges. Music will be provided by Kathy Halbur and Sherry Loughran. Lectors will be Stephanie Economos, Emily Richardson and Angela Richardson. Gift Bearers are Marge’s Grandchildren and Great-Grandchildren. Honorary Casket Bearers are Mackenzie Smith, Jenny Riesselman and Sarah Smith. Casket Bearers will be Adam Tigges, Jeff Richardson, Josh Tigges, Joel Tigges, Tyler Tigges and Doug Smith. Burial will be in Holy Family Cemetery at Lidderdale.

A visitation will be held from 5 p.m. until 7 p.m. on Tuesday, March 17, 2026, at the Sharp Funeral Home in Carroll with a Prayer Service at 7 p.m. Additional visitation will be held from 9:30 a.m. until 10:15 a.m. on Wednesday at the church.

Funeral arrangements are under the guidance of the Sharp Funeral Home in Carroll and online condolences may be left for Margaret’s family at www.sharp

funeral.com. In lieu of flowers, Marge's family respectfully requests memorial donations to Alzheimer's research.

Marge was born on October 9, 1942, in Carroll County, Iowa, the daughter of Peter and Teresa Oswald. She was a graduate of St. Bernard's Catholic High School in Breda, and St. Catherine's School of Nursing in Omaha.

On May 16, 1964, she was united in marriage to Robert Tigges at St. Bernard's Catholic Church. Robert and Marge were blessed to be parents to three children, Elizabeth, Russ, and Tanya.

Marge's life was deeply rooted in faith. She loved the Lord and His Blessed Mother Mary. She enjoyed being a member of Holy Spirit Catholic Church where she was an active Eucharistic Minister for many years and enjoyed taking communion to shut-ins. She was a member of Catholic Daughters of America and was a faithful prayer warrior for her family and friends, always willing to intercede on anyone's behalf.

Marge served our Lord through her calling as a nurse for many years, but her greatest joy was caring for her family. She was a devoted wife, a loving mother, a proud grandmother and great-grandmother. She created a home filled with warmth, laughter, and unconditional love. Whether through a shared meal, a listening ear, or a gentle word of encouragement, she made everyone feel welcomed and cherished. She was a beloved friend to many and enjoyed sharing time with them as a member of the Red Hat's Club, the Carroll Municipal Golf Club, and various card clubs.

She leaves behind a legacy of love through her devoted and loving husband of 61 years, Robert, her three children: Elizabeth (Jerome) Richardson (Glenwood), Russ (Barb) Tigges (Clive), and Tanya Tigges (Carroll); her grandchildren: Stephanie (Nick) Economos (Clive), Adam (Rachel) Tigges

(Waukee), Emily Richardson (Omaha, NE), Angela Richardson (Madison, WI), Jeffrey Richardson (Cedar Rapids), Jerianne Richardson (Iowa City), Sarah Richardson (Glenwood); Mackenzie (Kevin) Smith (Fort Dodge); step-grandchildren: Justin (Anna) Richardson (Durant) and Brianna Richardson (Chicago, Ill.); great-grandchildren: Emerson and Olivia Economos (Clive), Maya Smith (Fort Dodge); step-great-grandchildren: William and Joce Richardson (Durant); her brother Leon (Florence) Oswald (Carroll); sister-in-law: Virginia Oswald (North Platte, NE); brothers-in-law: Louis Tigges (Lidderdale), Dale Tigges (Sioux City) as well as many nieces, nephews, and other extended relatives.

Marge was preceded in death by her parents, Peter and Teresa Oswald; siblings: Rita Reicks, Maizie Soyer, Dorothy Vogl, Lola Heim, Gladys Nieland, Arthur, Paul, Charlie, Bill, and Lou Oswald; father and mother-in-law, Louie and Angie Tigges; brother-in-law, Tom Tigges; sister-in law, Anita Tigges; and great-grandson, Noah Economos.

The family would like to extend their heartfelt gratitude to the staff at St. Anthony's Nursing Home for their most loving and compassionate care they have provided Marge in her final years of life. Your tenderness, patience, and dedication brought comfort and dignity to her days, and will remain a true blessing to our family.

Tribute Wall

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“ To Russ and his family, our hearts are with you. Your Farm Bureau Financial Services Sales family is holding you in our thoughts during this time of profound loss. May you find comfort in the love that surrounds you and strength in the memories you carry. We offer our deepest and most heartfelt condolences.

Financial Services Sales Team - April 17 at 10:28 AM

LS

“ We will always remember sharing Grandparents Day with Robert and Marge when our grandchildren went to Dowling Catholic High School attending mass having coffee and visiting their rooms and then going out to lunch together sharing Happy Times before returning back home! Fun times!!❤️

Laura & Junior Steines - April 17 at 10:28 AM

JS

“ Marge was a very gentle and loving person. I met her through my neighbors and always enjoyed her and bob's company. Her spirit is free and in God's loving hands

Joan Shymanski - April 17 at 10:28 AM

DK

“ Aunt Marge's obituary is exactly as she was to everyone. She was a kind, caring, loving and wise woman, always full of giggles. She once told me that we must learn to forgive but we don't have to forget. I can only imagine the reunion in heaven. Love and hugs to Bob, Beth, Russ, Tanya and your families.

Doreen and KenBerg - April 17 at 10:28 AM

BJ

“ We will always remember Marge with a smile on her. A beautiful, gentle person. We remember a fun golf trip with Bob and Marge, Leon and Florence to Hilton Head SC. So many laughs and fun. And her best egg sandwiches on our way to the airport. Our thoughts and prayers are with Bob and all of the family. Tanya, she's still with you in spirit. May she rest in God's loving arms. ❤️

Bev and Jim - April 17 at 10:27 AM

JS

“ My sincere condolences to all of Marge family. Marge and I spent many hours together when we were both younger. She was my older sister that I never had . Also a very special Aunt .

Joleen Schultz - April 17 at 10:27 AM