



Margaret E. Fjelde

October 17, 1929 - January 26, 2026

Margaret E. Fjelde

(née Dalziel)

Age 96, of Gardner, IL, passed away peacefully at her residence on Monday, January 27, 2026, surrounded by her loving family. She was born on October 17, 1929, in South Wilmington, IL, to Andrew and Frances (née Clelland) Dalziel.

She was united in marriage on July 27, 1952, to Roy A. Fjelde in Gardner, IL, and together they built a life rooted in faith, hard work, and devotion to family until Roy's passing on November 27, 1976.

She was a devoted farm wife and mother whose life centered around her faith and her family. She was deeply involved in her church and served as a member of the cemetery committee for Grand Lutheran Prairie Cemetery. A longtime member of United Lutheran Church in Gardner, she shared her musical talents by playing the organ and directing the church choir. Margaret also loved cooking, and caring for her family was always her greatest joy.

Margaret is survived by her two loving children, Eric Fjelde of Gardner, IL, and Martha (Dan) Ondrejko of Lakewood, CO. She was a proud and devoted grandmother to Andrew (Miranda) Fjelde, Jacob (Haleigh) Fjelde, Kristin (Devon) Viart, and Erik Ondrejko, and a cherished special grandmother to Lindsey Mosier. Her legacy continues through her two beloved great-grandchildren, Barrett and Junie Fjelde. She is also survived by her nieces, Ginger Ahl of Black River Falls, WI, and Amy Waddell of Skiatook, OK.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Roy A. Fjelde; her son, Karl A. Fjelde; her nephew, Jim Waddell; and her brother and sister-in-law, Argyle and Rowena Dalziel.

Visitation will be held on Saturday, February 7, 2026, from 10:00 a.m. until 11:30 a.m. at United Lutheran Church in Gardner, IL. Funeral services will follow at 11:30 a.m., with Pastors Greg Olsen and Jan Chandler officiating. Interment will take place at Braceville-Gardner Cemetery in Braceville, IL. In lieu of flowers, memorials in Margaret's memory may be made to the Grand Prairie Lutheran Cemetery Fund or the Gardner Ambulance Service.

To share memories or offer condolences, please visit Margaret's online guestbook at www.rwpattersonfuneralhomes.com or find us on Facebook.

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Cemetery Details

Braceville-Gardner Cemetery

7295 W. Braceville Road
Braceville, IL

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 7. 10:00 AM - 11:30 AM (CT)

United Lutheran Church-Gardner
309 East Jefferson Street
Gardner, IL 60424

Service

FEB 7. 11:30 AM (CT)

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Inturment

FEB 7 (CT)

Braceville-Gardner Cemetery
7295 W. Braceville Road
Braceville, IL

Tribute Wall

RD

“ Martha and Eric, So sorry for your loss! My most vivid memory of your mom involves a dog you had named ****pie and the fact that she had to call that dog for dinner. She had to be a saint! May she rest in peace!

Robin (nee Dinger) - January 29 at 07:02 PM

NK

“ Rest in peace Margaret. I will miss our birthday lunches with Gayle and Aunt Lorraine. We always had so many laughs. I know you are rejoicing in your reunion with Roy and Karl. You will be missed sweet lady ❤️🌸

Nancy Kociss - January 28 at 07:31 PM

GA

“ John and I always enjoyed seeing Margaret when Eric brought her to club for her drive through. If she was baking she would bring chocolate chip cookies. Will miss those moments

Gwen Airgood - January 28 at 05:28 PM

SP

“ Margaret was a special Lady loved by everyone. She always had a smile for everyone. She will be so missed around Gardner and at the Senior Citizens group. Our sympathies to the whole family. RIP Margaret.

Sharon Pickles - January 28 at 04:31 PM