



Viola Margaret Mathisen

January 14, 1914 - January 25, 2013

Age 99, of Dwight, IL, formerly of Gardner, IL passed away Friday, January 25, 2013 at Heritage Woods in Dwight. Born January 14, 1914 in Dwight to the late Ole and Christina (nee Paulson) Larson. Viola was a member of the Church of Hope in Gardner. She was previously employed by the Gardner-South Wilmington High School, working in the cafeteria. She also helped deliver flowers for the former Pats Floral in Gardner. Surviving are her son, Larry Mathisen of Long Beach, CA; her daughter, Barbara Welch of Naperville, IL; three grandchildren, Vicki (Kevin) Gallagher, Richard (Kim) Welch, and LeAnne DeSelm; nine great-grandchildren; and two sisters, Louise Hanley of Morris, IL and Virginia Zdrog of St. Louis, MO. Preceding her in death were her husband, Marvin Mathisen; three sisters; and one brother. Funeral services will be at the Church of Hope in Gardner, Tuesday, January 29, 2013 at 11:00 a.m. with visitation two hours preceding services. Pastor Jan Chandler will officiate. Interment Oaklawn Cemetery in Dwight.

Cemetery Details

Oaklawn Cemetery - Dwight

23813 E. 3200 N. Road
Dwight, IL 60420

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 29. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Church of Hope
202 North Monroe Street
Gardner, IL 60424

Service

JAN 29. 11:00 AM - 11:30 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

CM

“ *CHERYL MONTANEZ lit a candle in memory of Viola Margaret Mathisen*



CHERYL MONTANEZ - January 30, 2013 at 11:19 AM

FE

“ *FRANCES ERICKSON lit a candle in memory of Viola Margaret Mathisen*



FRANCES ERICKSON - January 30, 2013 at 11:18 AM

JT

“ *JUANITA TINCHER lit a candle in memory of Viola Margaret Mathisen*



JUANITA TINCHER - January 30, 2013 at 11:17 AM

NP

“ *Norma Pendola lit a candle in memory of Viola Margaret Mathisen*



Norma Pendola - January 29, 2013 at 04:40 PM

KG

“ We lived next door to Mrs. Mathisen for 3 years in the late 70's. She was a sweetheart and loved to have our oldest son, Eric come over to share her cookies. He was just a toddler at the time.

She was a wonderful neighbor, although she loved to cut her grass way too early on a Saturday morning!

Wish we hadn't lost track of her over the years, sure she will be missed by family and friends.

*With our deepest sympathies,
Mark & Kathy Gradberg*

Kathleen Gradberg - January 29, 2013 at 11:07 AM

BW

“ I am sorry I could not attend, though I am there in spirit. I have some very fond memories of time spent with Grandma Vi and I will cherish them forever. She lived a long life; I can only hope to be blessed with that long of a life. She is forever in our hearts. Sending all of my love your way. Love, Brittany



Brittany M. Welch - January 29, 2013 at 12:04 AM

BB

“ *Barb and Larry,
I am really sad to hear about your mother's passing. Our sympathy to you both. My mother, Helen Savage, who passed in 2009, really enjoyed your mother's friendship and talking with her on the telephone every day. Both of your parents were wonderful people which you can be very proud. I remember, as far back, when your mother worked at Hendrick's restaurant in Gardner and my father, Dean Savage, cut your father's hair. I am sorry we will not be at your mother's service as I live out of town in Moline, IL, but our thoughts and prayers are with you. May your parents rest in peace together. God be with you at this difficult time.*



*COL Thomas & Brenda (Savage) Boyd
1 Wildwood Drive
Moline, IL 61265*

Brenda Boyd - January 28, 2013 at 10:26 PM

TC

“ *Our deepest sympathy. We worked with Vi at the Coffeehouse and then got to reunite with her at the Woods in Dwight. When we went out to see our Mothers, Vi was usually out by the front door and always had a smile on her face. She was a joy to work with even back in our High School days and she always had a positive thing to say each time we saw her. We will miss her smile.*

Tom & Becky Christenson

Thomas Christenson - January 28, 2013 at 06:44 PM

RF

“ *Barbara -- our thoughts and prayers are with you, please accept our sympathy. Sorry, we can't express our condolences in person.*
Ralph & Natalene (Cima) Ferrari

Ralph & Natalene (Cima) Ferrari - January 28, 2013 at 05:00 PM

CC

“ *My deepest sympathies. Vi always had something positive to add to a conversation. When she came into the Royal Blue Store, she always took time to visit with Margie, Ray, and Grandma Arendt. When Ray was sick and in the nursing home, she took the time to either come in and see Margie everyday or would call. I know that many of her friends in Gardner have passed on, but her positive outlook lives on in those of us that had the honor to know her in our small community.*
Cindy from the Royal Blue

Cindy Christensen - January 28, 2013 at 12:53 PM