



Margaret Burgwin Maser

June 8, 1933 - October 7, 2023

Our mom passed on Saturday Oct 7th, 2023. She was born June 8th, 1933 as Margaret Burgwyn, sometimes known as Meg or Margy. When she married our dad she became Margaret Hartwell. Later she married again and became Margaret Maser, but to all of us over the past years she has been “Granny”.

As Margaret Burgwyn she was a daughter to Elizabeth and Howard, and sister to Jim and Molly. She was the middle child, and the littlest.

As Margy Hartwell she was loved dearly as a mother by Tony and Page Hartwell, as a wife by Charles Hartwell and by countless students and teachers at Marin Country Day School where she worked for many, many years. We are so proud of the important work she did there. She had a positive impact on so many young people.

As Margy Maser she was loved by her second husband Clark Maser and worked hard to act as mother to his two sons Minot and Carter.

As Granny, she became the true embodiment of love in caring for her family and most especially her beloved grandchildren Erlend, Eleanor and Lily Page.

The family would like to thank her many caregivers in her last years for their kind, skilled and loyal help.

We miss Granny but saw her rise just outside of her window in the most glorious rainbow four days after her passing. You can see it on the photos and video tab.

Tribute Wall

CH

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Charles Atherton Hartwell - October 14, 2023 at 07:21 PM

MM

“ *I missed Meg when she moved from Greensboro. She was a fellow lady walker, and she came to visit my garden several times each summer, with great interest, several times accompanied by Page. I did enjoy showing my gardening efforts to someone who appreciated them. A lovely and gentle woman.*

Mary McGrath - October 14, 2023 at 05:37 PM

RV

“ *Page and Tony, I share in the mourning of your mother's passing. Obscured by a small, unassuming frame, was a person of great intellect, compassion, and spirit. Your mom never failed to surprise me with her sly wit. She would have loved the poetic obituary inspired by the most beautiful rainbow I have ever seen. Love, Becky*

Rebecca Vogel - October 14, 2023 at 09:45 AM

EL

“ I’m so sad to hear of Margy’s passing. I hadn’t seen her in a long time and really hoped I’d see her again.

I remember her fondly and clearly from all the time we spent together in the 1970’s. I remember how quaint and New Englandy she always seemed to me, a little out-of-place in San Francisco. I remember how kind she was to me when I would have little emergencies or big fears while sleeping over at your 5th Ave house. I remember how it seemed her world really opened up when she began working at MCDS.

Mostly, though, I remember how she gave us room to play without a hovering parent, whether it was oobleck in the garage, “cannibals” in the back yard (no humans were actually harmed, since these cannibals ate only salad!), baking meringues in the kitchen, or stapling cloth into Barbie clothes because we were too lazy to sew. I remember her as being both calm and delighted with all of us in those early years.

One specific memory has been on my mind this year: how she was unfazed by my becoming a vegetarian at 13 because she was sure it was a phase. This year marks 50 years of my being a vegetarian. That’s a pretty long phase.

I’ll always cherish the positive role she and you, Page, had in my childhood. And Tony, as little brothers go, you and Mike weren’t so bad, either.

My heart is with you both as you grieve.

Emily Levy - October 14, 2023 at 02:39 AM



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Bohlender Funeral Chapel - October 13, 2023 at 01:28 PM

CP

*Thanks Tony for reaching out to let us know about the ending of ur mother's life who was always was a special person to me even tho we rarely met
A gorgeous double rainbow-so appropriate*

cordie hartwell puttkammer - October 13, 2023 at 07:10 PM

JC

I always enjoyed walking with Meg during her Greensboro summers. We shared passions for teaching and international folk music and had conversations about many topics. Kept in touch for a number of years but not the last few. I will carry warm memories of her.

judy carpenter - October 14, 2023 at 12:33 PM

PB

Margaret was a walker from her first days at Parklane Towers and thanks to wonderful caregivers, she continued to be out in all seasons. We would see her often as we did similar routes in the neighborhood. May she walk on in the lives of her family and friends.

Patricia Bell - October 17, 2023 at 08:33 AM

GI

So sorry to hear that Meg has died. We were sorry to lose touch with her several years ago. I enjoyed walking with her in Greensboro, and we welcomed her when she sat in with our early music rehearsals at the Greensboro church. Go in peace Meg.

Gina and Tom

Gina - October 17, 2023 at 09:50 AM