



Norma J Pearson

April 2, 1931 - December 29, 2020

Norma Jean Pearson, 89, of Malden died Tuesday, December 29, 2020, at Liberty Village in Princeton, IL.

Born April 2, 1931 in Princeton to Harry and Minnie (Husser) Fiste, she married her high school sweetheart, Glenn Pearson, on September 30, 1951 at St. John Lutheran Church, Princeton, IL.

She graduated from Malden High School in 1949. She was a farm wife and worked part-time in various secretarial and retail positions. She was a lifelong member of St. John Lutheran Church, "Church on the Hill", Princeton, IL, where she served as organist for over 50 years.

She loved to travel, spend time with family and friends, shop for a great bargain, and vacation in the Ozarks. She spent many hours riding in the boat as "spotter" for young water skiers.

Norma Jean was a devoted wife, mother and grandmother. She served her community through numerous organizations such as Women's Club, church council and WELCA. Norma and Glenn also delivered Mobile Meals in Princeton for several years. She enjoyed attending local church, school and community concerts and passed along her love for music by teaching private piano lessons for several years.

She was quick to bring a meal to a neighbor in need and was known for her delicious ravioli and creamed chicken at church potluck dinners or holiday gatherings.

She is survived by three sons, Larry (Pat) Pearson of rural Arlington, Randy (Robin) Pearson of Towanda, Gregg (Kaye) Pearson of Princeton; one brother Dale (Barb) Fiste of rural Malden; seven grandchildren Matthew (Amanda) Pearson, J. Michael Pearson, Marc Pearson, Paul Pearson, Stacy (Matt) Sink, Bradley (Christine) Pearson, Jaimie (Jeremy) Munson; and six great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents, husband, sister (Marlene), and an infant son. A private burial service will be held for the immediate family.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be directed to the family or St. John Lutheran Church, Princeton IL.

To honor her love of music, a scholarship will be granted to an individual who is pursuing a career as an organist.

Online memorials and condolences may be left at www.norbergfh.com

Arrangements by Norberg Memorial Home, Inc. & Monuments.

Tribute Wall

SP

“ Prayers to the Pearson family, We just learned of her passing. Always enjoyed her organ playing when we visited 'Church on the Hill'.

Sharon & Ken Pinter

Sharon Pinter - April 25, 2021 at 02:22 AM

NK

“ Just now heard of this passing of Norma. A wonderful person from a very nice family. I remember much of Norma but most as her being the high school secretary in Malden. She basically ran the school and did it well. If anyone came in with a question I would simply say "ask Norma". My condolences to all the family.....

Neil Kastor - March 25, 2021 at 05:32 PM

DC

“ Norma was my "mentor" as a church organist. She is the one that encouraged me to learn to play the organ and as the result of our love of music we shared a special bond. She waited for me to retire from teaching and move back home so she could have more time away from the "organ bench". I was happy to oblige. My biggest regret is not being able to tell her goodbye and what she meant to me. Enjoy the heavenly choir, Norma Jean!

Debra S Cooper - January 06, 2021 at 08:07 AM

 Bob Warren

So sorry to hear this.
Norma was one of the kindest person I've ever known.
Bob Warren

Bob Warren - January 06, 2021 at 09:24 AM

DH

We knew Norma Jean for many years at church and in the Malden community. She played the organ at our wedding.

Don & Darlene Husser - January 06, 2021 at 10:24 AM

DS

Larry, Pat, Randy, Robin, Gregg, Kaye, and families - Please accept my deepest sympathy at the loss of your Mother. You are all in my thoughts and prayers.

Donna Snell - January 06, 2021 at 10:47 AM

CD

My memories of Norma Jean are of a kind, supportive, and smiley leader of St. Johns. The hours she gave in her organ playing alone are an amazing gift but she gave to others in so many other ways. My prayers and sympathies go out to her family.

Cindy Duffield - January 06, 2021 at 03:19 PM

EA

*Many fond memories of being Norma and Glenns neighbor on the angling road in malden..they were always so kind to us and always had smile on their faces. I had called Norma awhile back at liberty but she didn't remember the fun we had...that was sad for me but I did get her laughing so it was all good. My sympathy to her son's and families who she adored...prayers sent
Eileen Anderson*

Eileen anderson - January 07, 2021 at 01:40 PM