



Margaret Theresa Begger

May 6, 1929 - April 11, 2017

Margaret Theresa (Zinda) Begger, age 87, of Wibaux, MT, passed away on Tuesday April 11, 2017 at the family farm south of Wibaux. A Prayer Service will be held at 7:00 P.M. on Thursday, April 20, 2017 at St. Peter's Catholic Church in Wibaux. A Memorial Mass will be held at 10:00 A.M. on Friday, April 21, 2017 at St. Peter's Catholic Church with Father Xavier Arimboor and Deacon Terry Quintus officiating. Silha Funeral Home of Wibaux has been entrusted with the arrangements.

Margaret was born on May 6, 1929 to Philip and Mary Alice (Brophy) Zinda in Wibaux. She attended grade school at the Baird Country School and graduated from Wibaux County High School in 1947. She attended Western Montana College for one year to get her teaching degree. Started teaching and then went back to Western Montana College during summers to get her 2 year degree. Margaret taught in South Center School, St. Philip School, and Wibaux County Schools for 36 years, retiring in 1993.

Margaret was united in marriage to Dominic Begger on October 9, 1951. Shortly after they married, they built a home on their family farm, which they shared for 65 years. To this union six children were born.

Margaret truly enjoyed teaching and following the progress of her former students as they made their way through life. The student's favorite project was the reading worm that went around the classroom many times. She enjoyed square and round dancing with Dominic and friends for many years. She was a member of Catholic Daughters, Skifest and the Historical Society.

Her hobbies were gardening, crocheting, and baking. Margaret's fresh baked cookies and treats were highly sought after. Her favorite times were spent visiting family, grandchildren and great grandchildren especially, and friends. Margaret was preceded in death by her husband, Dominic Begger; her parents, Philip and Mary Alice Zinda; her brothers, Tony (Connie) Zinda and Francis Zinda; a son-in-law, James Weaver and great granddaughter, Hailey Jo Ordahl.

Margaret is survived by her daughters, Jolyn Evertz of Joliet, MT, Mary (Doug) Lair of Big Timber MT, Carolyn Weaver of Beach, ND and Janel (Bud) Ordahl of Beach, ND; her sons, Mark (Helen) Begger of Beach, ND and Brian Begger (Sally Flores) of Worden, MT; her grandchildren, Brad Ordahl (Michaela Applegate) of Beach, ND, Angela (DJ) McCloud of Bismarck, ND, Abigail Lair of Bozeman, MT, Grant Lair of Ellensburg, WA, Andrew Lair of Missoula, MT, Rylea Begger (Jayce Huffman) of Beach, ND and Kennedy Cupido of Bismarck, ND; her great grandchildren, Alexis Ordahl, Jase and Braxton McCloud, Jrexlee Huffman, Emma and Lacey Applegate; a sister, Lois (Gene) Still of Mt Vernon, WA; an aunt, Catherine Brophy of Wibaux, MT; many brothers and sisters-in-laws; nieces and nephews.

Margaret was collecting garden seeds in anticipation of spring planting. God will have another expert gardener to help him out. We will miss you.

Remembrances and condolences may be shared with the family at: www.silhafuneralhomes.com.

Cemetery Details

Wibaux Cemetery

Wibaux, MT 59353

Previous Events

Prayer Service

APR 20. 7:00 PM (MT)

St. Peter's Catholic Church
313 1st Avenue Southwest
Wibaux, MT 59353

Memorial Mass

APR 21. 10:00 AM (MT)

St. Peter's Catholic Church
313 1st Avenue Southwest
Wibaux, MT 59353

Tribute Wall



“ *Margaret Theresa Begger*

December 07, 2022 at 04:10 PM



“ *Margaret's Family – Please know that I share your sorrow in the loss of your beloved Mother, Grand Mother, Great Grand Mother, sister, cousin, Aunt, and friend! She was such a great lady and touched so many lives.*

Remember your many treasured memories of both Margaret and Dick.....I'm sure he was happy to have her join him for the Easter celebration. My mom – Regina Hoffman – passed away in the early hours of the Monday after Palm Sunday in 1983, so her funeral had to be scheduled on that Wednesday before Holy Thursday. I always remember Father Hopkins saying at her funeral that it is an honor for someone to die during Holy Week because they can make the journey as Jesus did and we survivors can find comfort in our knowledge and celebration of the Resurrection on Easter Sunday. Margaret will be saving places for us in Heaven's "Zinda/Begger Balcony area" so we can join her and all our loved ones when we complete our earthbound journey. I pray that God will give you strength as you face the difficult days ahead adjusting to life without her.

Lillian Hoffman Luncinski

Lillian Hoffman Luncinski - April 22, 2017 at 10:00 PM



“ *Rest in Peace Aunt Margaret. Enjoy your reunion with Uncle Dick. Love from your niece Sheryl Begger Cathey*

Sheryl Begger Cathey - April 21, 2017 at 08:19 PM

LV

“ So sorry for the loss of your Mom and Dad! They were both such wonderful people! Whenever I ran into them when I was home in Wibaux, they were always such a pleasure to visit with! Now they're together in heaven! Prayers for you all!!!

Lori Duncan Vogele

lori duncan vogele - April 21, 2017 at 05:18 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Margaret Theresa Begger.



April 18, 2017 at 10:52 PM

DW

“ Margaret was a very wonderful lady. I always enjoyed visiting with her after mass. She taught David at South Center School. He always gave her a bad time, but she would laugh and then tell me something about him that had happened at school. She will be .missed.



Diane watembach - April 18, 2017 at 04:22 PM

BK

“ We are so sorry for your loss...Margaret was a very special woman. I remember our families getting together when we were just kids...Lots of fun times! Your Mom sent home a big bucket of pear tomatoes...that was the first time I had ever seen anything like that and were they ever delicious. We are keeping you all in our prayers and in our thoughts. Brad and Mary Kay (Berger) Kountz

Brad and Mary Kountz - April 18, 2017 at 02:06 PM

JR

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. John and Angie (Nix) Ross



John and Angie (Nix) Ross - April 16, 2017 at 01:11 PM

Barb
Oppegard

“ Barb Oppegard lit a candle in memory of Margaret Theresa Begger



Barb Oppegard - April 16, 2017 at 10:31 AM

EH

“ Sending sincere sympathy to all of Margaret's family. She has certainly left a legacy in all the lives she touched as a teacher and appreciate her faithful service to the youth of our community. She will be missed.
Elaine & Terry Hall

Elaine Hall - April 16, 2017 at 09:50 AM

SZ

“ We offer our condolences to the children of Margaret. About 20 years ago we and my brother Joe Zabrocki and Marge were in Wibaux for an event. After church Dick and Margaret invited us out to the farm for breakfast. From the oven Margaret served us some kind of delicious breakfast casserole. McDonald's do not have that recipe.

Sy and JoAnn Zabrocki Billings

Sy Zabrocki - April 15, 2017 at 11:30 AM

MK

“ *Marvin Klang lit a candle in memory of Margaret Theresa Begger*



Marvin Klang - April 15, 2017 at 10:11 AM

MK

“ My sincerest sympathies to Jolyn, Mary, Carol, Janel, Mark, Brian, grandchildren, great grandchildren of Margaret Begger, mother, grandmother, great grandmother, aunt and friend. I trust this finds you all doing as good as can be expected with the loss of another wonderful person. I am blessed and fortunate to have meet Margaret in May 1999 in pursuit of family genealogy. Although our physical paths had never crossed until then, on meeting and talking, you would have thought we'd seen each other on numerous occasions. She made us feel extremely comfortable and welcome. That weekend, Margaret had my aunt (Charlene) and myself out for brunch. What a spectacular feast and awesome, tasty country cooking. We both were so stuffed. It was difficult to leave that day. This was our 1st time visit to Wibaux and meeting Zinda families. Margaret always had that welcoming smile which we all need so often. On another quick visit to help celebrate their (Margaret & Dominic) 50th wedding anniversary, my aunt and myself were able to meet many more of the family. Another treasured family moment in our lives. You all are in my thoughts and prayers at this difficult time. Sincerely, Marvin Klang, New Hope, MN



Marvin Klang - April 15, 2017 at 10:08 AM

BN

“ Our dear Margaret, we will miss you. Sending strength and love to the family at this time of sorrow. Dr O'Hara, Marilyn and Bobbie

Bobbie Northrop - April 14, 2017 at 12:54 PM

DB

“ Sending strength and love at this time of sorrow. She was my friends mom, but first and foremost she was my first grade teacher. She will forever be Mrs. Begger. <3

Dee Brost - April 13, 2017 at 01:12 PM

TB

“ Teresa Ley Bruha lit a candle in memory of Margaret Theresa Begger



Teresa Ley Bruha - April 13, 2017 at 10:00 AM

CH

“ Carol Hanson lit a candle in memory of Margaret Theresa Begger



Carol Hanson - April 12, 2017 at 08:14 PM

WE

“ So sorry to hear about Margaret's death! I loved to listen to the stories she told about her teaching years! She was a lovely soft spoken woman!

Wendy Ekre - April 12, 2017 at 03:55 PM