



Emmogene M. Emerson

July 5, 1934 - November 19, 2013

Emmogene M. Emerson age 79, died Tuesday Nov. 19th at Greenway Manor, peacefully with family at her bedside. Emmogene was born on July 5th 1934 in Richland County, the fourth of 10 children to Lester & Myrtle (Haines) Fruit. She was united in marriage to Harold Emerson on June 3rd, 1955.

Emmogene and Harold loved to sing, had many happy memories as they farmed, first in Ash Creek before moving to Little Bear Valley, while raising their two children. Emmogene was a woman of deep faith and was involved in numerous ways at the Ash Creek United Methodist Church in Richland Center. She was proud of teaching three years in one room schools at Carter, Crow Hill, and Sextonville. She worked at Peck's Farm Market and also fifteen years at the M&I Bank in Spring Green. She was known for her love of God, family, friends and farming. She enjoyed entertaining in her home. She could put together a feast for anyone who rang her doorbell. She had a large unselfish heart for the unfortunate, helping them in many ways.

Emmogene is survived by her husband Harold of 58 years, son Steve (Diane) Emerson of Spring Green, daughter Shawn (Ron) Hess of Plain; grandchildren Steven (Kim) Emerson of Spring Green, Michael (Mary) Emerson of Rock Springs, Seminarian Scott Emerson of Rome, Italy; Tim Emerson of Milwaukee, Jordan Hess of Plain, Jillian Hess of Madison; great grandchildren, Mackenzie, Kaylie, Jacob, Brianna & Caleb Emerson; siblings Garland (Laura) Fruit, Marilyn Williams, Avis (Allen) Unbehaun, Hubert Fruit,

Clinton (Vergene) Fruit, Carol (Charles) Dieter, Gordon Fruit, Sandy (Randy) Scott; and many special nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents, sister & Brothers-in-law, Wyvonne (Merlyn) Merry & Ernest Williams.

Funeral Services will be held on Friday, Nov. 22, 2013 at 11:00 AM at the Clary Memorial Funeral Home in Richland Center. Pastor Ed Jones will officiate with burial in the Richland Center Cemetery. Visitation will be held on Thursday, Nov. 21, 2013 from 4-7 PM at the Clary Memorial Funeral Home and also on Friday from 10 AM until the time of services at 11 AM. On line Condolences can be made at www.clarymemorialfuneralhome.com

We would like to thank the Greenway Manor Staff for the loving care and kindness given to Emmogene these past 21 months. You are true angels on earth.

Mom, we will forever hold you in our hearts. Enjoy running in the grass!

Tribute Wall

JF

“ My most vivid memory of Emmogene will always be her beautiful smile which greeted me every time we met anywhere in town. She was SO friendly, so outgoing and always an interesting conversationalist. We also laughed and occasionally commiserated when Shawn and Dee, who were (and still are) best friends, got into the normal teen year mischiefs. She was a grand lady, a devoted mom, and a friend who will be missed by many. Deepest sympathies to Shawn, Steve and their families. I am making a donation to our local charity, "4 Pete's Sake" in her memory as I know she would appreciate knowing that her memorial will continue to help others in our area. Love, Jan

Jan Swenson - Arena, WI - friend - December 19, 2013 at 12:00 AM

AF

“ Emmogene will always be remembered as a favorite teacher. She made us feel so special. Never forgot who we were after we grew up, always had time to stop and talk and ask about our family. Sorry for your loss, she was a special lady! Heaven has a lovely Angel!

Anita [Ray] Waterman - Madison, WI - friend - November 28, 2013 at 12:00 AM

WW

“ You have our deepest sympathy in the death of your dear Emmogene! Sincerely William Hutter Family from Spring Green.

William Hutter Family - WI - November 26, 2013 at 12:00 AM

MC

“ My sincere condolences to all the Emerson families

Mark Miller - CO - November 23, 2013 at 12:00 AM

JF

“ We are very sorry for your loss. Know that you are all in our thoughts and prayers. Bless you all.

Jamie and Rhonda Licht - Spring Green, WI - friend - November 22, 2013 at 12:00 AM

CW

“ Aunt Emmogene was a Wonderful person, she always had a huge smile and a laugh. My favorite memories at family gatherings always involved her or her family. Especially the time she gathered ALL the cousins for a sleep over at her house. I will miss her and say a prayer for her and the Family

Cherri M Fry - Rio, WI - November 22, 2013 at 12:00 AM

CF

“ My sympathy to Harold and family on the passing of Emmogene. She was such a wonderful person. My thoughts and prayers are with you all.

Carmen Fowell - Cross Plains, WI - Friend - November 22, 2013 at 12:00 AM

JN

“ A truly wonderful person. Many fond memories. She will be greatly missed. My thoughts and prayers go out to all the family.

Jennifer Vosen - LaValle, WI - great niece - November 22, 2013 at 12:00 AM

KF

“ Such a wonderful woman!! Sympathy to the entire family at this time.

Kristi Pine - Muscoda, WI - friend - November 21, 2013 at 12:00 AM

CF

“ I am a niece of Marilyn Williams - grew up knowing the Fruit family so was thrilled when Uncle Ernest married into the family. I remember the good days of visiting Avis and Emmogene and their mother - what a household of love and laughter. It always made my day when Mom and I would run into Emmogene in Richland Center and we would have one of our visits - she was always so upbeat and happy. I was saddened to hear of her health problems the last few years .
May you be comforted by the wonderful memories.

*With prayers and sympathy,
Connie Williams Cody*

Connie Williams Cody - Highland, WI - Friend - November 21, 2013 at 12:00 AM

DF

“ We were so sad to hear about Emmogene's passing. She was very dear to our family. We will remember Emmogene always with a smile on her face and willing to help at a moment's notice. She'll always hold a special place in our hearts. We are so thankful for the lifetime of memories she shared with us growing up at Ash Creek UM Church and on the farm. Thinking of and keeping all of you in our prayers, Harold, Steve, Shawn and families. God Bless.
Love, The Wallace Family

Dan & Penny (Wallace) Yagodinski, Beth Ann (Wallace) & Matt Zent - Beaver Dam, WI - Friends - November 21, 2013 at 12:00 AM

BF

“ We love our memories of Emmogene and Harold who so graciously welcomed us to Ash Creek UMC. The many fun times at the Searchers group and the wonderful music that Emmogene and Harold sang. She is truly a bright and shining star and will be missed by all. May God bless your family at this time.
Love
Sue and Bill

Bill & Sue Breneman - Gilman, WI - Friends - November 21, 2013 at 12:00 AM

BF

“ So sorry to hear of Emmogene's passing. We are so glad that we were at the last reunion and had a very nice conversation with both of you. Sorry we can not attend the funeral service. We are celebrating our 60th Anniv. and will be in Reedsburg for our great granddaughters Show Choir Concert. Lots of prayers coming your way, Harold. Love from Del and Bev Montgomery.

Bev and Del Montgomery - Edgerton, WI - Friends - November 21, 2013 at 12:00 AM

MF

“ Our thoughts and prayers go out to you at this difficult time. Emmogene was a Classmate of Monnie's and remained a life long friend.

Marvin and Monnie Felton - Madison, WI - Friend - November 21, 2013 at 12:00 AM

JF

“ Emmogene always had a smile and a kind word. I loved it when our paths crossed. Thinking of the entire family.

Jennie Cornett - Stanley, ND - friend - November 21, 2013 at 12:00 AM

CN

“ *Emmogene was such a spectacular person that people are grieving in several different neighborhoods today. She stayed in touch so well with us in Richland County, even after the move from Ash Creek. So many of us have been blessed to know this very humble, compassionate lady. Wherever she was, she brightened everyone's day. She and Harold would visit friends in hospitals and the patients could feel the love and concern. Nobody I know spread Christianity better than Emmogene did. As much as it hurts to lose her, she now will get her full reward. No more being in a wheelchair, there's a party somewhere over the rainbow! Carl Bethke*

Carl Bethke - Richland Center, WI - Friend & neighbor - November 20, 2013 at 12:00 AM

CF

“ *I'll always remember Emmogene as she and I were classmates in high school and I'll remember her as a great cheer leader for our team. She had the greatest outlook on life even though she went through some tough times these past years. My prayers are with Harold and family. Collene*

collene hernan - paris, TX - Friend - November 20, 2013 at 12:00 AM

MF

“ *Emmogene will always be remembered by me as my favorite teacher. She encouraged me more at Crow Hill than any other teacher. What fun we had snow sledding down the big hill, playing soft ball at recess and between other area schools. My prays are with you at the loss of a great lady.*

Marilyn Unbehaun Spohn - Peoria, IL - friend - November 20, 2013 at 12:00 AM

LW

“ *Emmogene was a very special lady to our family. We all have fond memories of family gatherings. She always made them so special. There is a going to be a big void here on earth, but heaven has gained another angel. Our thoughts and prayers are with the family at this difficult time. We do know all the past struggles are gone and she is rejoicing with her Savior. She will be keeping watch from above and as always making sure we are okay.*

*God Bless,
John, Linda and family.*

Linda M Peterson - Richland Center, WI - November 20, 2013 at 12:00 AM