



## Margaret Anne "Maggie" Vater

October 8, 1930 - September 17, 2025

A Mass of Christian Burial for Margaret Anne Vater, 94, will be held at 11:00 AM Thursday, September 25, 2025, at Saint Francis Xavier Catholic Church with Rev. Robert Miller officiating. Recitation of the Rosary will be at 6:00 PM Wednesday, September 24, 2025, at Anderson-Burriss Chapel. Arrangements made by Anderson-Burriss Funeral Home and Crematory.

Margaret, who preferred to be called Maggie, was born on October 8, 1930, and passed away on Wednesday, September 17, 2025, in Oklahoma City. She was the daughter of John J. Vater and Edith Marie Vater. Maggie graduated from Enid High School in 1948 and was a 1952 graduate of Oklahoma A. & M. (Oklahoma State University.)

Maggie worked at Vance Air Force Base and then relocated to Washington D.C. She worked for U.S. Senators Robert S. Kerr and J. Howard Edmondson. Later, she worked for the Air Force at the Pentagon and for the State Department in Germany and Austria. She was very interested in politics and loved to travel to countries in Europe. After retiring, she volunteered at cancer clinics in Fort Smith, Arkansas and Mercy Hospital in Oklahoma City.

Maggie was preceded in death by her parents; two brothers, John J. Vater Jr. and Robert W. Vater; and two sisters, Marie Vater Flynn and Dorothy Vater Harbour. She is survived by many nieces and nephews. Maggie was a lifelong

devout Catholic and always loved being with family and friends. She had a great sense of humor and lived life to the fullest. She was loved by all that knew her and will be greatly missed.

Online condolences can be made at [www.andersonburriss.com](http://www.andersonburriss.com).

# Previous Events

## Rosary

SEP **24.** 6:00 PM (CT)

Anderson-Burriss Funeral Home Chapel  
3002 N. Van Buren  
Enid, OK 73703  
<http://www.andersonburriss.com>

## Mass of Christian Burial

SEP **25.** 11:00 AM (CT)

St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church  
110 N. Madison  
Enid, OK 73701

# Tribute Wall

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“Maggie was quite wonderful and a beloved friend. I'm (was) a nurse when her brother, Bob, was ill. Secretly, I called him Darth. He would threaten me with his sister, a pentagon lawyer, if I didn't do what he wanted, and he definitely had his bluff on me. One day Maggie was there, and his facade as a bully had melted away. She wasn't having it, and I discovered that she was most certainly not to be feared, but to be revered. She became a volunteer at our Cancer Center, and the front office was never run so smoothly. We've kept in touch over the years, and I delighted in her political viewpoint, and she was the first person I'd ask a question about her stance on a subject, or candidate. The world is a little less bright without Maggie's smile. I will miss her forever. Prayers to the family for peace and comfort.

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**Becky Harkey** - September 27, 2025 at 09:54 AM