



Margo Deanna Epley

July 29, 1937 - January 26, 2023

Margo Epley was born into this world as Margo Deanna Luton in Tulsa, Oklahoma to Marguerite and Clyde Luton. Except for a four year stay in southern California from 1946 - 1950, she grew up in Tulsa with most of her extended family living nearby, and graduated from Will Rogers High School in 1955. After a year at the University of Oklahoma as an art major, she dropped out and got a job as a secretary in Tulsa. She met her former husband Robert Loughridge of Poteau, Oklahoma while at OU, and they were married in December, 1957. That marriage produced three daughters and lasted 20 years.

Margo was an extraordinary person, who started developing her myriad skills early in life. Margo got an early start in modeling when she became Little Miss Tulsa in 1942. She started modeling clothes at fashion shows for a Tulsa department store as a teenager, and from that experience she learned good fashion, good posture, how to walk, and how to wear the right combination of clothes to look her best. As a young mother, Margo even dressed nicely when going grocery shopping, prompting a few people to ask, "Where are you off to?" She learned how to sew as a young child of four, first making doll clothes. She then moved on to making many of her own clothes beginning in junior high school, and continued doing so past age 60. When her daughters were young she made many of their clothes, to include matching outfits. In her late 20s, she was a hair model for her beautician in several hairstyling competitions. Margo was also artistic, and became a self-taught interior

designer. Full of energy and stamina, she painted rooms and wall papered, sewed curtains and drapes as well as hung them, and built curtain boxes. She learned how to decorate and design her home interiors to make them look warm, upscale, and tasteful.

Margo and her former husband moved to southern California immediately after they were married. It was there that all of her three daughters were born and where, after being single for over eight years, she met her current husband John Epley. Margo and John married in 1987 and were still in love with each other at the time of her passing. A year after they were married, Margo and John moved to Colorado where they lived in Monument for seven years, then to Highlands Ranch for the next twelve years. Upon John's retirement, Margo and he moved to a rural community in the Florida panhandle near Alford, where they built a custom home and lived for the next 11 and 1/2 years. Thereafter Margo's onset of dementia caused her and John to relocate to Enid, where they both had family and were closer to their children. She lived in Enid for over four years until her passing.

In retirement, Margo and John were members of the Elks Lodge, she was in Red Hats and was active in her community in Florida.

Margo is preceded in death by her parents Clyde Luton and Marguerite Simms. She is survived by her husband John, her brother Clyde Luton of Dover, Delaware, her daughter Pamela of Rancho Santa Margarita, CA and grandchildren Brian and Kellie, her daughter Rebecca Engel and her husband Tom of San Diego, CA, and by her daughter Marcella of San Marcos, CA and grandson Rex.

Celebration of Life Service will be Wednesday, February 1, 2023 at 1:00 pm in Anderson-Burriss Funeral Home Chapel. Burial will follow in Memorial Park Cemetery. Reception will follow after the committal service at AB Circle of Life Event Center.

Cemetery Details

Memorial Park Cemetery

6405 Memorial Dr
Enid, OK 73701

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

FEB 1. 1:00 PM (CT)

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

Reception

FEB 1. 3:00 PM (CT)

AB Circle of Life Event Center
3022 N. Van Buren
Enid, OK 73703
(580) 233-2700