

Mary Margaret Edgar Robinson

Mary Margaret Edgar Robinson (80) was born in Elgin, IL but moved a year later to Titusville, PA where she graduated from Titusville High School in 1962. She then graduated from Robert Morris College in Pittsburgh, PA where she was a member of Alpha Iota honorary business sorority. She loved her first job in the Alumni Office at Pitt. She joined the Explorers Club of Pittsburgh and enjoyed rock climbing, canoeing, caving, scuba diving and parachuting. She was a member of their 1967 expedition team to Ecuador to climb Cotopaxi.

She married Neal Robinson in 1969 and they raised two daughters, Lisa Robinson Croxall (Julian) and Amy Hales (Nick) and delighted in spending time with their two grandchildren, Maya Linda Hales (17) and Jake Neal Hales (13).

Mary was in Girl Scouts for 73 years and earned the Curved Bar (highest girl award) and the Thanks Badge (highest adult award) for her many positions from Troop Leader to Girl Scout Camp Director to Council Trainer. Mary was an active member of Williamsburg United Methodist Church and a member of Heritage Circle, as well as a trained Stephen Minister.

Mary was predeceased by her beloved daughter Lisa. She leaves, in addition to her husband Neal, daughter Amy and grandchildren Maya and Jake, sisters Beth Edgar of Clearwater, FL and Sylvia Young (Thomas) of Asheville, NC and brother John Edgar (Kelly) of Lancaster, PA.

In lieu of flowers, a donation would be appreciated to her grandchildren's college funds at: <u>https://backer.com/mayascollegefund508</u> (the family will distribute any gifts evenly between the 2 grandchildren; one can also give any donations to Neal or Amy to distribute to the college savings plans).

Memorial gifts can also be made to the Girl Scouts of NE Kansas and NW Missouri (in memory of Mary Edgar Robinson) online <u>https://www.gsksmo.org/en/support-us/donate-locally.html</u> or at the following address: GSKSMO 10561 Barkley Street – Suite 101 Overland Park, KS 66212

October 9, 2024 Williamsburg United Methodist Church

Assisting with Worship

Rev. Charles Swadley, Rev. Dave Rochford

Organist

Thomas Marshall

Sound

Jimmy McCarter

Video

Josh Clayton



Do not let your hearts be troubled.

Believe in God;

believe also in me.

John 14:1

A Service of Worship in Celebration of the Life of Mary Margaret Edgar Robinson

March 14, 1944 – October 4, 2024

October 9, 2024 1:00 p.m. Williamsburg United Methodist Church

ENTRANCE

PRELUDE

GATHERING

THE WORDS OF HOPE AND GRACE

from John 11; Revelation 1, 22

Jesus said, I am the resurrection and I am life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, yet shall they live, and whoever lives and believes in me shall never die. I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end, the first and the last. I died, and behold I am alive for evermore, and I hold the keys of hell and death. Because I live, you shall live also.

GREETING

Friends, we have gathered here to praise God and to witness to our faith as we celebrate the life of Mary Robinson. We come together in grief, acknowledging our sense of loss. May God grant us grace, that in pain we may find comfort, in sorrow hope, in death resurrection.

OPENING PRAYER

O God, who gave us birth, you are always more ready to hear than we are to pray. You know our needs before we ask, and our ignorance in asking. Give us now your grace, that as we stand before the mystery of death we may see the light of eternity, and live as those who are prepared to die. Show us in these days of our loss that nothing in life or in death can separate us from your love, and give us the peace of knowing that living or dying, our life is in you. Amen.

*HYMN

For the Beauty of the Earth

UMH 92 (red book)

from Psalm 96

RESPONSIVE READING

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Sing to the Lord a new song; sing to the Lord, all the earth.

Declare his glory among the nations, his marvelous deeds among all peoples. For great is the Lord and most worthy of praise; he is to be feared above all gods. For all the gods of the nations are idols, but the Lord made the heavens. Splendor and majesty are before him; strength and glory are in his sanctuary.
Let the heavens rejoice, let the earth be glad;
let the sea resound, and all that is in it.
Let the fields be jubilant, and everything in them; let all the trees of the forest sing for joy.

Let all creation rejoice before the Lord!

READING FROM THE PROPHETS	Isaiah 40:28-31
READING FROM THE GOSPEL	John 14:23-29
READING FROM THE NEW TESTAMENT	Revelation 21:1-7
MECCACE	

MESSAGE

A TIME OF FOND REMEMBRANCE

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING & THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen

*HYMN

O God, Our Help in Ages Past

UMH 117 (red book)

PRAYER OF COMMENDATION

O God, all that you have given us is yours. As first you gave Mary to us, now we give her back to you. Raise Mary up with all your people. Receive us also, and raise us into a new life. Help us so to love and serve you in this world that we may enter into your joy in the world to come. **Amen.**

*DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

*POSTLUDE

Friends and family are invited to a reception in the Atrium following the service.