



## Megs Priess

December 28, 1943 - March 17, 2013

Margaret Mary “Megs” Priess, 69, passed away peacefully in her home March 17, 2013. She was born to Jacob and Margaret Sitter in Bismarck, ND. Megs met and married the love of her life and husband of 48 years Bill in Bismarck.

Megs moved to Napa in 1970 and retired as accounting manager at Sander, Jacobs, Cassayre Insurance in 1997. Megs lived a rich life full of family, friends and faith and shared her mischievous humor with all. She was a devoted volunteer at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church as a counter, mass coordinator and extraordinary minister of the Holy Communion.

A generous and constant host of countless many at her home overlooking the Napa Valley, she welcomed all visitors as family and hosted 25 infamous Super Bowl parties. When not entertaining, Megs traveled the country and world with Bill, friends and family. Megs cherished her “Mermaids” swimming group friendships and received great joy in giving her coveted crafts to friends and family. Megs occupies a special place in the hearts of so many and will be forever missed.

Megs is survived by her husband Bill Priess; son Craig Priess and his wife Robin Allen; son Jeff Priess and his wife Jamie Taylor-Priess; sisters Julie Miller, Ann Kolstad and Carol Sickler; brothers Julius Sitter and Jack Sitter. Her brother Benjamin Sitter preceded her in death.

Visitation will be at Claffey & Rota from 1-3pm on Sunday, March 24 with a prayer vigil at 2pm. A funeral mass will be held at St. John's ([stchurch.stjohnscatholic.org](http://stchurch.stjohnscatholic.org)) on Tuesday, March 26 at 1pm.

In lieu of flowers, Megs requested donations to the Saint Mary's Catholic High School (Bismarck) scholarship fund and the St. John's capital campaign for the youth center.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAR **24**. 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM (PT)

Claffey and Rota Funeral Home  
1975 Main Street  
Napa, CA 94559  
(707) 224-5210  
services@claffeyandrota.com  
<http://www.claffeyandrota.com>

## Mass

MAR **26**. 1:00 PM (PT)

St. John the Baptist Catholic Church  
981 Napa St.  
Napa, CA 94559  
(707) 226-9379  
<http://www.stjb1858.com/>

# Tribute Wall



“ *Megs Priess*

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September 29, 2022 at 04:54 PM



“ *Megs Priess*

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September 29, 2022 at 02:55 PM



“ *Dear Bill, My sincere condolences for your loss of your wife, Megs. She really possessed that spark and sparkle of life!*

*Marvin Sakakihara*



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**Marvin Sakakihara** - March 25, 2013 at 09:51 PM

JB

“ Dear Bill and family,

*Megs was an inspiration to everyone lucky enough to have known her, and, most certainly, she exemplified a life well lived. When we moved to Napa she welcomed our family into your lives with open arms, and everything she did, she did well and with enthusiasm. We are deeply saddened by her passing, and we'll cherish her memory forever.*

*We'll always recall her joyful, can-do, friendly, playful manner. Whether it was camping at Pollock Pines, celebrating the Fourth of July, stomping grapes at a winery, walking along a beach, going to a play in San Francisco, visiting Bismarck, climbing a tree in San Diego, enjoying the Winter Olympics in SLC, cooking steaks at Point Arena, or... I could go on and on because it was always special and fun to spend time with her.*

*She could whip up a meal and present a feast for a group of four or twenty- four with the blink of an eye, (which always had a twinkle) and she made it seem so easy! And, no one could ever set-up a tidier, more enjoyable picnic or campsite faster or better than Megs. What great times we had. To know her was to love her and that holds true for you Bill, Craig, Jeff and all the rest of the amazing members of the Sitter's and Priess' families.*

*She will be missed, remembered and thought of often as you all remain in our hearts and prayers.*

*Love, Doug & Jeanine Boulden - (the "Utes")*

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**Jeanine Boulden** - March 24, 2013 at 01:44 PM

RM

“ We knew Megs as a very special lady who will be sorely missed by all who had the good fortune of knowing her. She was a positive influence and added good humor to any and all occasions. Our love and prayers go to Bill and the family who have suffered this deep loss.

*Roy & Gerri MacGregor*

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**Roy MacGregor** - March 24, 2013 at 12:00 AM

RM

“ The Megs that we knew and loved was a very special lady and will be sorely missed by all who had the good fortune of knowing her. She loved people and brought pleasure and good humor to every occasion. Our thoughts and prayers are with you Bill and for your family.

*Roy and Gerri MacGregor*

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**Roy MacGregor** - March 23, 2013 at 10:02 PM

 Marcia Brixey

“ Dear Bill,  
Steve and I were so sad to hear about Megs. We have such fond memories of all the fun times we had together. Know that you're in our hearts, thoughts and prayers.

*Steve & Marcia Brixey*

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**Marcia Brixey** - March 22, 2013 at 07:43 PM

PJ

“ Dear Bill, My heart and prayers go out to you and your family, what a rich life you two had together. Peggy Johnson

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**Peggy Johnson** - March 21, 2013 at 02:57 PM

JL

*Dear Bill, I was saddened to hear Megs left this world at such a young age. Hope you can fill your void with 48 years of wonderful memories. Glad I had the opportunity to meet Megs in Bismarck. You are in the thoughts and prayers of your classmates. Janet Lucas*

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**Janet Lucas** - April 05, 2013 at 11:12 AM

JS

“*Dear Bill and family:  
Jerry and I were so sorry to hear about Megs' passing. Our prayers and sympathies to all of you. We regret we won't be able to attend the services as we will be out of the country but please know we are there in spirit. Our best to all of you.  
Jerry and Janet Schiefferly*

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**Janet Schiefferly** - March 21, 2013 at 11:18 AM

BR

*Bill and family,  
So sorry for your loss. Megs was such a beautiful lady--inside and out-- God must have needed a very special angel. You are in our thoughts and prayers.  
Bumpy & Becky*

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**Becky Radtke** - March 22, 2013 at 02:35 AM