



## Margaret Rebecca Cowan

January 23, 1927 - March 31, 2020

Margaret Rebecca Cowan, 93, beloved aunt, passed away On Tuesday, March 31, 2020 at Autumn Care of Cornelius. Born January 23, 1927, she was the daughter of the late Jesse McNeely Cowan and Catherine Gouger Cowan. Margaret lived in the house where she was born until having to move into an assisted living facility at age 91.

Margaret had four siblings and was one of three siblings that never married. She attended Mount Mourne School, Davidson High School, and earned a degree from Mitchell College. She was a superb cook and housekeeper, and also worked first for the P & N Railroad and then for Southern Watch Supply Co. She played the piano, and then the organ, for 32 years at Centre Presbyterian Church, where she was a life-long member. Following her retirement as organist, she sang in the choir for another 30 years. She was a member of Christian Women, a group called Golden Agers, and the Mooresville AARP, where she served as secretary for many years. She loved working in the yard and garden, keeping flowers all around the house.

Having never married with no children of her own, she treated her nieces and nephews as her own. Margaret was the quiet one, the one who always wanted to serve everyone else, and never liked for other people to do anything for her. She always insisted on being last in line to get her food at family gatherings. She was a caregiver for her mother and an aunt, and later for her sister, Catherine. Margaret was loved by all who knew her and she surely will be missed.

Margaret is preceded in death by brothers, Jesse McNeely Cowan, Jr. and Charles Robert Cowan, sisters Ruth Cowan Pierce and Catherine Louise Cowan, and a nephew, Jon Randall (Randy) Cowan.

Margaret is survived by seven nephews and nieces, Claudine (Kathe) Hyman, Kerry B. Cowan, Judy C. Morrow, C. William (Bill) Pierce, Elizabeth (Beth) P. Manoso, Charles C. Pierce and Catherine (Cathy) R. Pierce; six great nephews, two great nieces, three great-great-nieces and two great-great-nephews.

There will be a private burial service and a memorial service will be scheduled for a later date.

<https://www.facebook.com/CavinCookFuneralHomeServices/videos/223016298758303/>

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Centre Presbyterian Church, Margaret Cowan Music Scholarship Fund, 129 Centre Church Road, Mooresville, NC 28117.

Cavin-Cook Funeral Home, Mooresville, is serving the family of Miss Cowan.

Condolences may be made to the family at [www.cavin-cook.com](http://www.cavin-cook.com).

# Cemetery

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## **Centre Presbyterian Church**

129 Centre Church Road

Mooresville, NC, 28117

# Comments

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“ We had a simple graveside service for Margaret today, but it was just right for her. She was always the quiet one in the family. She would rather serve or help others than have anyone do anything for her. She loved everyone and anyone who knew her couldn't help but love her right back. We will miss her. We will have a memorial service at some time in the future once we get past these difficult times. Our thanks to all for your kind words.

**Charles Cowan Pierce** - April 04 at 07:45 PM



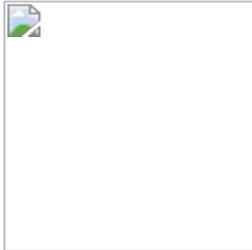
“ This is Linda Ashendorf, Billy's wife from Southern Watch Supply family. We always thought Margaret was the sweetest, kindest person. Last time I saw her was at a Southern Watch reunion. The entire Ashendorf family loved her. My son Jay and I send our condolences. Our thoughts are with you. Linda

**Linda** - April 14 at 09:46 AM

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**Michael Roberts** - April 04 at 03:36 PM

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“ "The Cowan Sisters" were one of the firsts to welcome Mother and me to CPC, and they left a lasting impression and footprint on our lives. Margaret always had a story to share and a song to sing. I remember her in my Sunday School class; if she wanted to hear, the hearing aids were on; otherwise, I was always repeating myself. And she always sat by the door to leave class early to join the choir. The Cowan Sisters were a special blessing to our lives. Jesus has welcomed another angel, and I know Heaven is rejoicing. Her presence will be missed. My prayers for the family during this difficult time...may God bless and keep you strong in the faith. Jann Peck

**Jann Peck** - April 02 at 07:18 PM

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“ Hi Jann. My name is Kerry Cowan and that was typical of my Aunt Cat and Aunt Margaret. Aunt Margaret was very special to me. I didn't get to see them as often as I would have liked because I live in Georgia. I loved the way Aunt Margaret would start a sentence and Aunt Cat would finish it. People talk about Aunt Margaret's potato casserole but her original dish was macaroni and cheese. It is the best I've ever had in my life to this day. Anyway, thank you for your memory. It means a lot to me.

**Kerry** - April 07 at 11:48 PM

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“ Margaret warmed my heart with her smile and her voice in song. She always was so concerned about anyone she came into contact with. I pray for the family of Margaret Cowan.

**Janet Johnson** - April 02 at 05:50 PM



“ Thank you Janet. My name is Kerry Cowan and Margaret was my favorite Aunt. I live in Georgia so I didn't get to see her and Aunt Cat as often as I wanted. Thank you for your precious memory.

**Kerry** - April 07 at 11:40 PM