

MARIAN BORCHART

Marian (Stauffer) Borchart, 83, Neenah, formerly of Menasha, passed away Thursday, November 24, 2011. She was born February 14, 1928, in Monticello, WI, to the late Jacob and Johanna (Ingold) Stauffer.

She was a musician all her life. After earning her Bachelor of Music degree in Milwaukee, she accepted the music teaching position in the Marion, WI, school district. It was there she met and then married William (Bill) Borchart on December 30, 1951. Four years later they moved to Menasha, WI, where they raised their three children.

Marian was a church musician, directing the choirs and playing the organ at Our Redeemer Lutheran Church and then at St. Timothy Lutheran Church until she retired in 1995. She was a substitute teacher in the Menasha School District, had many private piano students, and was active making blankets with the Tuesday morning Sewing Ladies at Our Redeemer Lutheran Church.

In October 2010, Marian and Bill moved to Island Shores in Neenah, where she continued to play the piano for weekly bible study and the Saturday evening church service.

Marian is survived by her husband, Bill; three children, Tom (Debbie) Borchart, Menasha; Joanne (Virgil) Bauman, Janesville; David (Robyn) Borchart, Hudson; seven grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; sister, Kathryn Becker, Monroe; and nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her brothers, John Stauffer and his wife, Eleanor, and Robert Stauffer and his wife, Helen; and brothers-in-law, Edward Becker, Donald Borchart, and Gordon Borchart and his wife, Margaret.

Marian's life was celebrated with a memorial service at 11:00 a.m., on Monday, November 28, 2011, at Our Redeemer Lutheran Church, 1750 Midway Road, Menasha, with the Rev. James Seim officiating. The family greeted friends at church from 10:00 a.m. until the time of service.

