



Margaret Jewel Bossard

January 2, 1930 - January 8, 2026

Margaret J. Bossard passed away Thursday, January 8, 2026. She was born January 2, 1930 in Butte to Harold and Jewel Nevin and celebrated her 96th birthday last week. In 1951 Margaret married the engineer who stole her heart, Floyd C. Bossard and they raised three children: Julie Norman (Candace Royer), Janice Elliott and Brian Bossard (Terri). They also loved their “German daughter of choice” Gisa Arnold (Jochen), an exchange student who has remained in the family for fifty-five years.

Margaret was the matriarch of a extended family which was the focus of her life. She was grandmother to Jessica Diric (Andy), Jocelyn Taylor, Scott Elliott, Sean Elliott (Crystal) and Ryan Bossard. Moreover, she cherished and loved “Nana” to twelve great grandchildren: Elena, Avery, Aubrie, Hunter, Marisol, Mollie, Amaia, Brynn, Andrew, Willow, Fallon and Evelyn. Margaret deeply loved her very special nieces and nephews: Dona Ball, Dan Riley, David Riley and Julie Suek and numerous great nieces and nephews who brought such joy to her life.

Margaret was the last surviving member of her generation on her side of the family. Her parents, husband (Floyd), sister (Jean Riley), brother (Joe Nevin) and all cousins preceded her. She is survived by her sister in law, Margaret Bossard and brother in law, Mark Bossard (Nancy).

In addition, to focusing on her family, Margaret was a committed volunteer to her community. Up until COVID, she weekly volunteered at St. Ann's church and the Butte Food Bank. She also volunteered at the Montana Museum of Mining, the Lady of the Rockies, and through the Junior League and Montana Tech Faculty wives, a wide variety of community projects. With her husband, Floyd, she was active in lighting the Mountain Con Mine head frame, creating the memorial wall at the Mining Museum recognizing those whose lives were lost; and building the arch at the entrance of Montana Tech. She was an active member of the PEO and the St. Ann's parish.

An acknowledgement of appreciation is due to Trek Health Care. Over the past two and a half years, the support, care and friendship afforded Margaret by the staff, in particular Madison Dyer, Emma Dyer, Octavia Breeton, and Jamie Moore was exceptional. Margaret had a close and special relationship with Avery Warden; Avery cared for her the last evening and morning of Margaret's life. Margaret loved her as an extended granddaughter.

Mass will be celebrated at St. Ann's Church, January 13, 2026, at 10:00am. Her family will receive friends beginning at 9:00. Interment at Holy Cross Cemetery Mausoleum Chappel will follow. A celebration of life to gather family and friends is planned for a later date.

In lieu of flowers, please consider supports the Margaret and Floyd Bossard Endowed Scholarship at Montana Tech, the Butter Emergency Food Bank, or a charity of your choice.

Cemetery Details

Holy Cross Cemetery

4700 Harrison Avenue
Butte, MT 59701

Previous Events

Funeral Mass

JAN 13. 10:00 AM (MT)

St Ann's Catholic Church
2100 Farragut Ave
Butte, MT 59701
(406) 723-4303

Tribute Wall

RC

“ So sorry to read of your mother’s passing, Julie. I will always remember her as a beautiful lady who was friendly and welcoming from the first moment I met her. I was ill on the day of the funeral or I would have been there. You have my deepest condolences. Love, Robin

Robin Cockhill - January 19 at 11:34 AM



“ To Julie, Janice, and Brian: I am sad to see you lose your mom in this world, while confident she and your dad are alive and well in the next and looking out for youse. All I know is: Margaret Jewel and Floyd must have been the most wonderful parents - to have and raise three children like you. Thank you Julie for being my kind and caring chemistry partner in high school and saving me from flunking. Thank you Janice for being not only my smartest and wisest classmate in school - but a memorable example of one truly good and kind person, someone I will never forget. God bless you all. -- Jack OBrien

Jeanie Cheartais - January 15 at 04:56 PM

JS

“ My sincere condolences to all of Margaret’s family, especially to Julie and her girls. Memories are the legacy of love. I know you have many memories of a wonderful woman.

Joe Sologub Jr

Joe Sologub - January 13 at 10:50 AM

JK

“ Joanne K. planted a grove of 3 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Margaret Jewel Bossard.

Joanne K. - January 12 at 08:27 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Margaret Jewel Bossard.



January 12 at 10:53 AM

JC

“ Julie Little Cardoso lit a candle in memory of Margaret Jewel Bossard



Julie Little Cardoso - January 10 at 01:30 PM

JC

“ Brian so sorry to hear about Your Mom's passing I LOVE U !! MY HEART IS WITH U FOREVER BOSSARD ..Momma Julie Cardoso

Julie Little Cardoso - January 10 at 01:29 PM

TS

“ Joe and I are so sorry for your loss. Margaret was such a beautiful lady. She always had that wonderful smile and laugh. What a nice long life. You all have great memories of and with her.
Joe and Terri Sologub

Terri Sologub - January 09 at 08:34 PM

JB

“ Margaret was such a beautiful special lady. Her kindness and memory will live on in so many hearts. So sorry for your loss.
Sincerely JoAnn Barkell

JoAnn Barkell - January 09 at 03:44 PM

PM

“ Brian and entire Bossard family. Sorry to hear about your mom passing. She was a great lady that was always smiling. I always enjoyed talking to her. May she rest in peace.

Pat Mengon - January 09 at 03:33 PM

SS

“ So sorry to hear of Marg's passing. We were so fortunate to have her in our lives. We have so many wonderful memories with us. A special lady and friend, may she rest in peace and have comfort again with Floyd 🙏🙏🙏

Sis and Shar - January 09 at 02:04 PM

MM

“ To Margaret’s family - Please know many of us share your loss of your wonderful Mother. Marg always greeted us with her memorable smile & concern for our family. What a woman & may she rest in peace & rise in glory.
Mary & Pat McMahan

Mary McMahan - January 09 at 01:39 PM