

Memorial Minute for Margaret Hanna “Meg” Hoskins (Wooster & Granville)

September 8, 1924 - August 8, 2022

With this minute, in the manner of Friends, Wooster Monthly Meeting records the death of Margaret Hanna Hoskins, daughter of John and Lida Lauderbaugh Hanna, on August 8, 2022, after a long and meaningful sojourn on this earth. A beloved member of our meeting, Margaret “Meg” joined our meeting by transfer from Granville Monthly Meeting on January 26, 2010. Even before her membership, she embraced the testimonies of Friends. Love and respect for all of Creation, reverence for fellow beings, and service to them were part of the make-up of Meg.

Jim Gentry, Clerk
Wooster Friends Meeting

Obituary [adapted from *The Daily Record*, Wooster]

Margaret Hoskins, age 97, passed away peacefully on August 8, 2022, after a long decline in her health. Born on September 8, 1924, in Geneseo, Illinois, to John Jr. and Lida Lauderbaugh Hanna, she grew up on a family farm and attended a one-room schoolhouse through the eighth grade. She traveled to Ohio for college at Ohio Wesleyan University, where she made lifelong friends and met her husband, Clayton.

Throughout her adulthood, she found many ways to serve the community. After completing her M.A. in Sociology, she was instrumental in the formation of Friends in Action, a volunteer organization supporting at-risk young women. She was named Columbus *Citizen-Journal's* Outstanding Youth Volunteer for 1973. Around this time, she joined the OSU Women's Poetry Workshop and began writing poetry, which became a lifelong passion. She volunteered as a poetry therapist and was a member of the National Association of Poetry Therapy; she continued these activities during her retirement in Mount Vernon, Ohio. She was the author of several chapbooks, and her poems were included in many local anthologies.

Meg loved traveling with her family, hiking and biking, journaling with her grandchildren, reading to Head Start kids, and working for peace. She was a member of the Granville and Wooster Friends Meetings. She made friends from around the globe and was a loving presence in the

lives of her family and all who knew her. A final thought in her words:
“Hills beyond beckon to a broader vision: Look up. Have faith. Joy
does come in the morning.”