



Ardelle L. Thompson

March 21, 1931 - December 28, 2018

Ardelle L. Thompson, 87
Holdrege Resident

Ardelle L. Thompson, 87, of Holdrege passed away on December 28, 2018 at her home in Holdrege. Memorial services will be 10:30 a.m. Saturday, January 5, 2018 at the United Methodist Church in Holdrege. Pastor Nora Mendyk will officiate. Inurnment will be held at Fort McPherson National Cemetery in Maxwell, Nebraska.

Memorials are suggested to the Holdrege United Methodist Church or the Phelps County Foundation in Holdrege. Condolences may be shared online at www.osrfh.com. Services are entrusted to O'Brien Straatmann Redinger Funeral and Cremation Services.

Ardelle L. Thompson was born on March 21, 1931 in Loup City, Nebraska to William and Hazel Couton. She grew up in Loup City and graduated from Loup City High School. Ardelle went on to further her education at the University of Nebraska at Kearney. Ardelle worked for Baxter Laboratory in Morton Grove, Illinois, taught at Loup City Schools and worked as an insurance broker in Holdrege. She and her husband Glenn were partners in several philanthropic endeavors including their original series of programs for the Nebraska Humanities Council, their significant contributions to the

Nebraska Prairie Museum POW exhibit.

Ardelle was united in marriage to Glenn Thompson on May 20, 1951 in Loup City and to this union three children were born: Vicki, Dawn and Lori. The family lived in Chicago, Illinois and Scottsbluff, Nebraska over the years. Ardelle spent most of her adult life in Holdrege where she was a member of the United Methodist Church, extension club, 4-H club leader, Woman's Club, March of Dimes volunteer and PEO member. Ardelle enjoyed swimming, fishing, camping, cooking, traveling and spending time with friends. She also enjoyed attending concerts and live performances at the Merryman Performing Arts Center in Kearney, the Tassel Performing Arts Center in Holdrege and the Harlan County Dam Playhouse in Alma. Ardelle was an avid bridge player where she developed many treasured friendships.

Left to cherish her memory are her daughters, Vicki Hohlfeld and her husband, Allan of Alma, Dawn Bruhn and partner, Brian Schmidt of Phoenix, Arizona, and Lori Dewing and her husband, Bart of Magnolia, IA; 7 grandchildren; 5 great-grandchildren; sister, Shirley Walrath of Loup City; brother, James Couton of Gilmer, Texas; a niece, 4 nephews, other relatives and many friends.

Ardelle was preceded in death by her husband, Glenn and her parents.

Cemetery Details

Fort McPherson National Cemetery

12004 State Highway 56A Spur
Maxwell, NE
(308) 582-4433

Previous Events

Memorial Service

JAN 5. 10:30 AM (CT)

Holdrege United Methodist Church
Holdrege, NE

Tribute Wall



“ *Ardelle L. Thompson*

January 28, 2023 at 08:01 AM



“ *Lori, Dawn, and Vicki -*

I just wanted you to know how much I have been thinking of you over the last week or so. I wish I could be there with you, to celebrate your mother's life and legacy. AND I wish I could do something to soften your pain. Thank you for the warmth your mother and all of you shared with so many of us, growing up - not to mention what she must have put up with from some of us, right?! She always made friends feel welcome. Your mom's legacy is strong - "kids," grandkiddos, friendships, and all her work in the community. We were ALL blessed to have your mom in our Holdrege family. She will be missed - and cherished.

Lori, please send me a text (to 402.210.3568) with your phone number, as I lost several important numbers when I switched phones. I would like to keep in touch.

Much love - Pam Perry

Pam Perry - January 05, 2019 at 08:22 AM

LM

“ My deepest sympathy at the loss of a gracious, caring person that was a delight to be around. She went above and beyond as a 4-H leader trying to teach me to sew. Over the years, we would laugh about the fact I was not meant to be a seamstress but she sure tried. I cherish the time spent with her. My thoughts and prayers are with you.

Linda Weber Mattson

Linda Mattson - January 04, 2019 at 10:57 AM

NH

“ Please accept our deepest sympathy in your loss. Ardelle and I worked together at J.C. Penney's in Holdrege. I have many fond memories of those times as well as other times when we were together. We laughed a lot and really had fun. When I saw her recently, she had her radiant smile, just like always. Cherish the memories of happy times together. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.

Nancy Harms & Gerhart Wehrbein

Nancy Harms - January 03, 2019 at 05:46 PM

JB

“ Ardelle was so kind and full of joy! She was always ready for a game of bridge and I truly considered her a mentor! I will miss her and her beautiful smile. I am so glad to have known her. Rest in peace.

Julie Billeter - January 03, 2019 at 12:13 PM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Ardelle L. Thompson.*



January 02, 2019 at 04:41 AM



“ *I'm proud to have known Ardelle. She always had a kind word, easy smile and bright attitude. She will be sorely missed in our bridge circles.*

Jean Issler - December 31, 2018 at 09:17 AM



“ *Heavenly Heights Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ardelle L. Thompson.*



December 29, 2018 at 11:39 AM