



Betty J. Griffith

April 29, 1948 - October 28, 2019

Betty June (Russell) Griffith 71, of Kearney passed away Monday, October 28, 2019 at St. Luke's Good Samaritan Home in Kearney. Betty's desire was to always help others, she requested to be a tissue donor and will continue to live on in others. A private family burial in Arapahoe led by pastor Kurtis Klinghammer will take place in the spring.

Memorials are suggested to the family for future designation. Condolences may be shared online at www.osrfh.com. Services are entrusted to O'Brien Straatmann Redinger Funeral and Cremation Services.

Betty was born April 29, 1948 in Oxford, Nebraska to Roy Verl and Helen Lucille (Hinz) Russell. She moved to Minden, Ne as a child and graduated from Minden High School in 1966. She married in 1966 and had 2 children, James L. Soker and Ronda J. (Soker) Jaeschke. Betty remarried in 1977 and had 2 children, Christopher L. Griffith and Cynthia K. (Griffith) Richard.

Betty was a caregiver all her life. She worked at mosaic (formerly Bethpage Mission of Axtell) for many years before working at Christian Homes in Holdrege.

She moved to Kearney and worked for Good Samaritan Society working at St. John's before retiring in 2010.

Betty loved the Lord and her family with all her heart. She enjoyed crocheting blankets, stuffed animals, and dolls. She loved to watch the cranes and taking drives to Ft. Kearney. She loved animals and had a special place for her cat, Nickers. She never met anyone she didn't like and was always kind and loving

to everyone. Betty gave everything she had, even when all she had to give was her time.

Left to cherish her memory are her children, James (Tabatha) Soker of Ohio, Ronda (Don) Jaeschke of Kearney, NE, Chris (Sherry) Griffith of Miller, NE, and Cindy (Gary) Richard of Loomis, NE; 2 brothers, Sam (Sharon) Russell of Lincoln, Larry (Pat) Russell of Kearney; sister, Connie Russell of Kearney; sister-in-law, Bert Russell of Minden; her lifelong friend and sister in Christ – Donna Klinghammer of Holly, CO; 12 grandchildren; 1 great grandchild; and many nieces, nephews and extended family and friends.

She is preceded in death by her parents; grandparents; brother Ronald Russell, and a nephew, Jerry Russell.

Tribute Wall



“ *Betty J. Griffith*

January 28, 2023 at 08:01 AM

“ and i also loved her very much and she had a smile when i walked out the door of her house. and there is a verse that kept me going and here it is

1 *Whoever dwells in the shelter of the Most High
will rest in the shadow of the Almighty.[a]*

2 *I will say of the Lord, “He is my refuge and my fortress,
my God, in whom I trust.”*

3 *Surely he will save you
from the fowler’s snare
and from the deadly pestilence.*

4 *He will cover you with his feathers,
and under his wings you will find refuge;
his faithfulness will be your shield and rampart.*

5 *You will not fear the terror of night,
nor the arrow that flies by day,*

6 *nor the pestilence that stalks in the darkness,
nor the plague that destroys at midday.*

7 *A thousand may fall at your side,
ten thousand at your right hand,
but it will not come near you.*

8 *You will only observe with your eyes
and see the punishment of the wicked.*

9 *If you say, “The Lord is my refuge,”
and you make the Most High your dwelling,*

10 *no harm will overtake you,
no disaster will come near your tent.*

11 *For he will command his angels concerning you
to guard you in all your ways;*

12 *they will lift you up in their hands,
so that you will not strike your foot against a stone.*

13 *You will tread on the lion and the cobra;
you will trample the great lion and the serpent.*

14 *“Because he[b] loves me,” says the Lord, “I will rescue him;*

*I will protect him, for he acknowledges my name.
15 He will call on me, and I will answer him;
I will be with him in trouble,
I will deliver him and honor him.
16 With long life I will satisfy him
and show him my salvation.”
and it is talking about i was but then i had found by the lord most
high.*

nicholas mast - February 28, 2020 at 06:29 PM

KY

*I love you brother I agree with you and I love that you care enough to
comment on this thank you so much grandma's birthday is coming*

Kylee - April 13, 2022 at 05:35 PM

KY

Love you

Kylee - April 13, 2022 at 05:35 PM

NM

“ *this is her grandson Nicholas Mast talking to you
she also loved to go to McDonalds getting the shamrock shakes to
drink every time she had to the doctors she wanted to go get a coke
or tatortots from sonic that is in Kearney,Ne and she was a great
grandma because she would i love you every time i would walk out
the door.*

nick mast - October 30, 2019 at 10:00 PM

RB

“ I am sorry for your loss of Betty. I have many great memories of her as I was growing up.

Please accept my sincere sympathies from a cousin.

Rose Marie (Keen) Brown

Rose Marie Brown - October 30, 2019 at 08:18 PM

AM

“ I was Betty's primary care physician. She always had a smile and a positive attitude. I loved her and will miss her dearly.

Annette Miller - October 29, 2019 at 08:10 PM