



## Betty H. Matthiessen

August 20, 1941 - February 8, 2021

Elizabeth “Betty” Hume Matthiessen, 79, died Monday, February 8, 2021 at Good Samaritan Hospital in Kearney, Nebraska as the result of a sudden heart attack. She died like she lived her life – on her own terms.

Betty was born August 20, 1941 in Atlanta, Georgia. She retired to Kearney after a career in credit union services in Nebraska, Wisconsin, and North Carolina. She was a lifelong Democrat, an avid quilter, and member of the Betty Club.

Betty is survived by her longtime special companion, her children Michael (Michelle) Meister of Scottsbluff, Matthew (Kim) Meister of Kearney, Cindy (Fred) Meister Diaz of Euless, TX, Stephen Meister (Jodi Brooks) of Washington, DC, Jean (Scott) Anderson of Kearney; and grandchildren Jennie Kozal, Harry Meister, Gabe Meister, Becca Vossler, Abby McNeil, Molly Meister, Ryan Meister, Morgan Meister, Candice Grossman, Adam Bivens, Camille Diaz, Callie Diaz, and Devin Anderson; and eleven great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents, William and Adrienne Matthiessen; brother and sister-in-law, William and Florence Matthiessen; nephew, David Matthiessen, and daughter-in-law, Dana Meister.

A celebration of her life will be held at 10:30 am on Saturday, February 13, 2021, at O'Brien Straatmann Redinger Funeral Home in Kearney.

Memorial donations can be made to Heifer International, Legal Aid of Nebraska, Central Nebraska Humane Society, or the Democratic candidate of your choice. Condolences may be shared online at [www.osrfh.com](http://www.osrfh.com). Services are entrusted to O'Brien Straatmann Redinger Funeral and Cremation Services.

# Previous Events

## Celebration of Life

FEB 13. 10:30 AM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Betty H. Matthiessen*

January 28, 2023 at 08:01 AM



“ *Betty and I were neighbors in Scottsbluff when our children were growing up. We shared many good times and visits over the years and sometimes had lunch when she came to visit Mike and family in recent years. I will miss her.*  
*Lorna Baumgartner in Scottsbluff, NE*

**Lorna Baumgartner** - February 14, 2021 at 07:46 PM



“ *Hello Mike. I'm so sorry for your sudden loss. Muirne.*

**Muirne Heaney** - February 12, 2021 at 01:20 PM



“ *Todd and Kristin Gottula, Jeff and Penny Kozal purchased the Fairest of All for the family of Betty H. Matthiessen.*



**Todd and Kristin Gottula, Jeff and Penny Kozal** - February 12, 2021 at 11:42 AM

EF

“ *ESU 10 Deaf/HOH and Vision dept. family purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Betty H. Matthiessen.*



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**ESU 10 Deaf/HOH and Vision dept. family** - February 12, 2021  
at 09:56 AM

JP

“ *I was saddened to hear of Betty's death. She was the most thoughtful and generous woman I've ever known. My thoughts are with you, her family, at this heartbreaking time. She will be missed.*

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**Jo Ann Pate** - February 12, 2021 at 09:07 AM

BM

“ *Bob's, Jacque & Valerie's family Matthiessen purchased the Gracious Lavender Basket for the family of Betty H. Matthiessen.*



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**Bob's, Jacque & Valerie's family Matthiessen** - February 12, 2021 at 12:32 AM

EP

“ *ESU Speech Language Pathologists purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Betty H. Matthiessen.*



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**ESU Speech Language Pathologists** - February 11, 2021 at  
03:48 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Betty H. Matthiessen.*



February 11, 2021 at 02:56 PM



“ *With Love, ESU 10 School Psychologists purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Betty H. Matthiessen.*



**With Love, ESU 10 School Psychologists** - February 11, 2021 at 01:33 PM



“ *Sweet sweet Aunt Betty. Rest In Peace. I'm sure Papa is happy to have his little sis around now. All my love from CA.*  
-Stacey Matthiessen

**Stacey Matthiessen** - February 11, 2021 at 12:31 PM



“ *My heart breaks for the family. I will miss Betty so much. Rest in peace my dear friend. Love Jo*

**Jo Miller** - February 10, 2021 at 03:51 PM



*My sincere condolence to the family.*

*Betty Schuster (Betty's Club)*

**Betty Schuster** - February 12, 2021 at 10:19 AM