



Dorothy Furry

October 14, 1931 - February 9, 2022

Dorothy Furry, 90 of Kearney passed away Wednesday, February 9, 2022 at Prairie View Gardens in Kearney. A funeral mass will be held 10:30 a.m. Monday, February 14, 2022 at St. James Catholic Church with Father Joe Hannappel officiating. Interment will follow at Kearney Cemetery. Visitation will be held one hour prior to the service at the church.

Memorials are suggested to St. James Catholic Church. Condolences may be shared online at www.osrfh.com. Services are entrusted to O'Brien Straatmann Redinger Funeral and Cremation Services.

Dorothy was born October 14, 1931 in Trenton, Nebraska to Daniel and Esther (Grovert) Boyle. On June 6, 1953, she married Kenneth M. Frick in Trenton, NE. To this union four children were born. Kenneth died January 12, 1978. On December 20, 1987 Dorothy was united in marriage to Harlan G. Furry in Kearney, NE and he passed away on June 2, 2018.

Dorothy's elementary and secondary education took place in Trenton, NE. She graduated Valedictorian from Trenton High School in 1949, and then taught in a country school for two years. She later graduated from Kearney State College with BA and MA degrees.

Dorothy also taught school in Grant, NE, St. Paul, NE, and taught 30 years in

the Kearney Public Schools. Twenty-nine of those years she was a Title 1 Reading Teacher at Bryant Elementary. She also served 10 years as the Title 1 Director for KPS and taught summer school classes in education at Kearney State College for 14 summers.

She was honored as Kearney Public Schools Teacher of the Year and as an Outstanding Retired Teacher. Dorothy was also honored by the University of Omaha as a distinguished Nebraska Teacher of the Year. Dorothy was a member of Zeta Chi Alpha Sorority in College and for many years as a member of Delta Kappa Gamma, an honorary teacher's society. Dorothy was a longtime member of St. James Catholic Church.

In her retirement years, she enjoyed tutoring students in her home and having coffee with her fellow teachers.

Left to cherish her memory are her sons, Eugene (Tammey) Frick and John (Patty) Frick all of Kearney; daughter, Kristi (Art) Marshall of Elm Creek; son Dave's special friend, Veronica Schyma of Kearney; stepson, Russell (Jennifer) Furry of Elgin, South Carolina; stepdaughter, Joan (Brian) Gutierrez of Fontana, CA; 8 grandchildren, Lindsey (Mitch) Miles of Grand Island, Drs. Sarah (Micah) Luderer of St. Louis, Adam (Jennifer) Marshall of Kearney, Dr. Derek (Becky Svatora) Marshall of Omaha, Josh (Meghan Lee) Vanden Berge of Kearney and Jessica Vanden Berge of Johnson Lake, BreAnna Frick and Alivia Lawson of Kearney; 6 step grandchildren, Grant (Kim) Furry of Columbia, SC, Lauren Furry of Arlington, MA, Anna Furry of Tuscaloosa, AL, Alex Green and Noah Gutierrez of Fontana, CA and Evan Gutierrez of Omaha, NE; 8 great grandchildren; two step great grandchildren; sister, Patricia Grafel of Blue Hill, NE; and two nephews, Mike (Elgene) Grafel and family of Hastings and James (Debbie) Grafel and family of Loveland, CO; two sisters-in-law, Edie Zetterman of Lexington and Jean (Phil) Stahla of Gillette, WY.

Dorothy was preceded in death by her parents; husbands, Kenneth Frick and Harlan Furry; son, David Frick; brother-in-law, Harry Grafel; and sister-in-law, Meredith Keep.

Cemetery Details

Kearney Cemetery

4400 Avenue I
Kearney, NE 68847
(308) 233-3244

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 14. 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM (CT)

St. James Catholic Church
3801 Avenue A
Kearney, NE 68847

Funeral Mass

FEB 14. 10:30 AM (CT)

St. James Catholic Church
3801 Avenue A
Kearney, NE 68847

Tribute Wall



“ *Dorothy Furry*

January 28, 2023 at 08:01 AM



“ *Mrs Furry*

Was a gift to our family she tutored our girls for several years!! She will

Always be remembered for all the help she gave them!! 2 now are elementary Teachers

for KPS and one is in learning commons at UNK helping tutor and keeping kids on track. We thank her and all of you for sharing her talents and her time with our children. She was an outstanding lady. All

Our prayers. Tanya Beavers Schleiger on behalf of our girls Marissa Kruse, Natalya Schleiger and Deena Schleiger. Mrs Furry helped mold young minds. We are forever indebted all our sympathy ❤️



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Dorothy would be elated to hear these kinds words and know she helped along the way.

Gene and Tammey Frick - February 14, 2022 at 11:51 PM