



Irene "Ruth" Ostendorf

May 28, 1930 - November 25, 2019

Ruth Ostendorf, 89 of Ravenna, formerly of Kearney passed away Monday, November 25, 2019 at Good Samaritan Home in Ravenna. Funeral services will be 10:00 a.m. Friday, November 29, 2019 at O'Brien Straatmann Redinger Funeral Home in Kearney. The Pastor Dean Pofahl will officiate. Interment will follow at Kearney Cemetery. Visitation will be one hour prior to the service at the funeral home.

Memorials are suggested to St. Jude's Children's Hospital. Condolences may be shared online at www.osrfh.com. Services are entrusted to O'Brien Straatmann Redinger Funeral and Cremations Services.

Ruth was born May 28, 1930 in Omaha, NE to Rueben and Gertrude (Weliever) England. The family later moved to Kearney where Ruth attended school and was a member of the Kearney High School class of 1947. On October 24, 1953, Ruth was united in marriage to Donald Ostendorf at the First United Methodist Church in Kearney. She was employed by Kearney Public Schools as an aide and later as an administrative assistant. In 1981, Ruth attended LPN school, graduating in 1982. She then worked at Good Samaritan Hospital until 1990.

Ruth was a longtime member of the Benevolent Patriotic Order of DOES, serving as president in 1976.

Left to cherish her memory are her husband, Donald Ostendorf of Ravenna; children, Patricia Gray of Denver, CO, Dorothy (Gene) Synovec of Western, Danny (Connie) Ostendorf of Gibbon, Rebecca (Mark) Wright of Grand Island; 7 grandchildren; 9 great grandchildren; and 2 great great grandchildren.

Ruth was preceded in death by her parents.

Cemetery Details

Kearney Cemetery

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

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV 29. 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (CT)

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Funeral Service

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Tribute Wall



“ Irene "Ruth" Ostendorf

January 28, 2023 at 08:01 AM



That's my grandma ❤️❤️ wish I cud have known her more any family pls get in touch at 8575400184 🙏🙏❤️❤️

matthew gray - August 21, 2024 at 01:17 AM



“ What a fun and loving person Ruth was I remember working where she had her hair done and we always had so much fun she was a good woman loved her husband loved her family and loved everyone always kind And she will be missed by many We always had a good laugh she made us laugh and she laughed with us she will be missed will see you again till then Godspeed

Julie Andersen McConnell - November 28, 2019 at 01:58 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Irene "Ruth" Ostendorf.



November 26, 2019 at 07:06 PM

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“ Don, Pat, Dorothy, Dan and Becky ~
I am supposed to share a memory.. where would I start. Your mom, kids, was like a mom to me. She got me through some rough times and we laughed more often than I cried as we celebrated good times too! I am so sad to hear she's passed. I am more saddened by that fact that I won't be able to attend her service on Friday. I want so much to see all of you again.
Please message me on Facebook to let me know if you'll be around next week. We will be back in central NE then.
Don, are you still at the same address?
Please know I am with you in spirit and pray for all of you during this most difficult of times.
Carol Leth

Carol Leth - November 26, 2019 at 05:46 PM

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“ Ruth was very special to our family. She and Don were family. We are out of state but she is in our hearts!♥♥

Patty and Bob Mitchell - November 26, 2019 at 03:23 PM

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“ So sorry to hear this, she was the sweetest lady, always had a hug around the neck & a kiss on the cheek !

Colleen Mieth - November 25, 2019 at 10:14 PM