



Mary Lou Pearse

January 23, 1933 - November 6, 2015

Mary Lou Pearse, 82
Kearney resident

Mary Lou Pearse, 82, of Kearney, formerly of Elm Creek, died Friday, November 6, 2015 at the Mother Hull Home in Kearney. Funeral Services will be 10:00 a.m. Wednesday, November 11, 2015 at the Living Faith Fellowship Church in Kearney with the Rev. Doug Shada and Pastor Dean Pofahl officiating. Interment will follow at the Elm Creek Cemetery. Visitation is 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. Tuesday, at the O'Brien Straatmann Redinger Funeral Home in Kearney.

Memorials are suggested to the Kearney Community Theatre and Living Faith Fellowship Church. Condolences may be shared online at www.osrfh.com. O'Brien Straatmann Redinger Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Mary Lou was born January 23, 1933 in Kansas City, Missouri to William C. and Darline (Miles) May. Mary Lou lived in several Central Nebraska communities until moving to Elm Creek in 1947. She was a 1950 graduate of Elm Creek High School. Mary Lou would later attend teacher's college in Kearney. In June of 1951, Mary Lou was united in marriage to Carl Pearse in Kearney, NE. Mary Lou taught school at Amherst District 76 county school

from 1951-1952. She was a longtime employee of West Company, after nearly 28 years with the company. Mary Lou later became manager of the West Co. Credit Union until her retirement. She moved from Elm Creek to Kearney in 2009.

She enjoyed knitting, traveling, attending sporting events and Kearney Community Theatre, as well as, spending time with her grandchildren. Mary Lou was a member of the Elm Creek Garden Club, Red Hats, VFW Auxiliary and served as a reservation volunteer for the Kearney Community Theatre.

Left to cherish her memory are her sons, Sam (Linda) Pearse of Chaseley, ND, Mark (Rita) Pearse of Fremont, NE, David (Donna) Pearse of Alliance, NE, Tim (Carmen) Pearse of Kearney and Jeff Jorgensen and special friend Mike Pivonka of Omaha; daughters, Marsha (Mike) Ourada of Kearney, Carol (John) Snow of Morganton, NC; 18 grandchildren; 13 great grandchildren; brother, Dan (Nan) May of Kearney and Bill (Loneta) May of North Platte.

Mary Lou was preceded in death by her parents and husband, Carl Pearse.

Cemetery Details

Elm Creek Cemetery

5100 52nd Road
Elm Creek, NE 68836

Tribute Wall



“ *Mary Lou Pearce*

January 28, 2023 at 08:01 AM



“ *Prayers and thoughts from the Mike and Robyn McCann family. We always enjoyed talking Mary Lou at the ballgames for many years as she was cheering on her grandkids!! Wonderful lady with a great family.*

Mike McCann - November 12, 2015 at 11:24 AM



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Rita Pearce - November 09, 2015 at 02:39 PM



“ *Marylou at her granddaughters wedding*

Rita Pearce - November 09, 2015 at 02:32 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mary Lou Pearse.*



November 09, 2015 at 01:30 PM



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Rita Pearse - November 09, 2015 at 12:53 PM



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Ryan Pearse - November 09, 2015 at 12:40 PM

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Ryan Pearse - November 09, 2015 at 12:39 PM

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Ryan Pearse - November 09, 2015 at 12:38 PM

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Rita Pearse - November 09, 2015 at 12:26 PM

SB

“ *I always loved it when Mary Lou answered the phone at KCT. She was always so cheerful and helpful.*




Sherry Brennan - November 07, 2015 at 10:01 PM

NP

“ *What a wonderful lady. One memory is when I was a little girl visiting from Kansas and she was pregnant with Mark and Marsha. Watching her attempt to get behind the steering wheel of her car was rather amusing!! I remember hanging diapers on the clothesline for her.*
Rest in Peace Aunt Mary Lou.
Nelda (Bate) Perryman
La Center, Washington


Nelda Perryman - November 07, 2015 at 06:24 PM

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Snow

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JR

“MISS MAY , WAS HER NAME WHEN SHE WAS MY TEACHER IN DIST. 76. I WAS ONE OF THE RUMBECK TWINS. TWO OTHER RUMBECKS WERE ALSO IN SCHOOL AT THAT TIME. WE WERE PETE, JEAN ,JANE AND PATTY. ABOUT ONCE A MONTH (I THINK THERE WERE SEVEN OF US)SHE WOULD TAKE THE SCHOOL TO ELM CREEK TO HER FATHER S THEATRE FOR A MOVIE. IT COST A WHOLE 10 CENTS TO GET IN .MOST OF THE TIME HER FATHER WOULD LET US ALL IN FOR FREE.

ONE YEAR SHE TOOK US TO KEARNEY TO A CONTEST (SINGING) OUR SCHOOL CAME IN FIRST WITH THE SONG(ARE YOU SLEEPING) WHICH WE SANF IN FRENCH AND ENGLISH. COUNTRY SCHOOLS WERE GREAT . SORRY TO SAY THE SCHOOL IS NO LONGER THERE. I AM SURE SHE WILL BE GREATLY MISS BY ALL OF YOU. WILL KEEP YOU ALL IN MY PRAYERS

JANE RUMBECK RIPP
3418 NORTHWESTERN AVE
AMES, IOWA 50010

JANE RUMBECK RIPP - November 07, 2015 at 01:27 PM