



Phyllis Bennett

April 5, 1936 - December 30, 2024

Phyllis Bennett, 88 of Kearney passed away Monday, December 30, 2024 at her home surrounded by family. A memorial service will be 10:30 Wednesday, January 8, 2025 at Faith United Methodist Church in Kearney with Pastor Jeff Wulf officiating.

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.

Phyllis was born April 5, 1936 in Elm Creek, NE to John C. and Mattie M. (Rayback) Hilty. The youngest of 10 children, she was raised on a farm between Kearney and Gibbon. She attended the Gibbon school, graduating with the class of 1954. On November 27, 1955, Phyllis was united in marriage to Robert Lee Bennett at the Faith United Methodist Church in Kearney. The two were blessed with 4 children.

Phyllis enjoyed cooking, reading and attending her bible study groups. She loved collecting angels, unique figurines and Bibles. She was a wonderful mother and good friend.

Left to cherish her memory are her son, Craig Bennett of Omaha; daughters, Joy (Rod) Mitchell of Odessa and Rhonda (Chris) Hopkins of Heartwell;

grandchildren, Carey (Cray) Wilson, Rebekah (Jeff) Eckhout, Caleb (Lacey) Wiedeman, Austin (Nicole) Olson and Taylor Hopkins; great grandchildren, Breanna, Brayden, Brynley, Henry, Adelynne, Gretchen, Annabelle, Lily, Huntlee and Korrah; her twin brother, Phillip (Pat) Hilty of Kearney and two sisters, Patty (David) Peach of Bedford, TX and Donna (Jim) Webster of Loveland, CO and brother-in-law, Roy Bennett. Along with countless nieces and nephews(who she loved very much).

Phyllis was preceded in death by her husband, Bob Bennett and son, Daniel; parents, John and Mattie Hilty; brothers, John, Lloyd, Everett and Merlin; sisters, Pauline and Rachel.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

JAN 8. 10:30 AM (CT)

Faith United Methodist Church
1623 Central Avenue
Kearney, NE 68847

Tribute Wall

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“ *Phyllis's genuine and welcoming smile is the main thing remembered about her. We enjoyed our times with she and Bob while we were at Faith Church. Special friends. Jerry and Lois Idt*

Lois - January 07, 2025 at 12:16 PM

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“ *There are no words that can fill the void left by such an incredible mother, friend, and light in our lives. Your mother embodied kindness, wisdom, and love. Her warm smile could brighten any room. While my heart grieves with you, I hope the cherished memories we all carry can bring some comfort. She lived a life of meaning that touched so many. When you miss her smile or laughter, know that it echoes here among us, her extended family. Wishing you moments of peace and the serenity of beautiful memories in the difficult days ahead. She will remain in our hearts forever.*

Susan Hilty - January 02, 2025 at 02:51 AM