



Ruth Ann Matthews

April 30, 1929 - September 30, 2013

Ruth Ann Matthews, 84
Kearney Resident

Ruth Ann Matthews, 84 of Kearney died Monday, September 30, 2013 at Good Samaritan Hospital in Kearney. Memorial services will be 11:00 AM, Saturday at Trinity Presbyterian Church in Kearney. The Rev. Chad Anderson will officiate. Inurnment will be at St. Mark's United Methodist Church Memorial Gardens in Tucson, Arizona. Memorials are suggested to St. Mark's United Methodist Church Memorial Gardens in Tucson. On-line condolences may be shared at osrfh.com. O'Brien Straatmann Redinger Funeral Home of Kearney is in charge of arrangements.

She was born April 30, 1929 in Albuquerque, NM to Harry and Esta Ruth (Grooms) Farrer. She grew up in Albuquerque and received her education at McMurry College in Abilene, Texas, where she met her future husband. She received her Bachelor of Science in Education and Master of Arts in Education degrees from Northern Arizona University.

She was married to Frank Arnold Matthews, Jr. on June 30, 1953 in Albuquerque, NM. They lived in several states where her husband was a minister in the United Methodist Church and in Flagstaff, Arizona, where she was an Elementary Music teacher for the Flagstaff Public Schools. She retired with her husband to Tucson, Arizona, and then they moved to Kearney in 2007.

She was a member of St. Mark's United Methodist Church in Tucson. She enjoyed papercrafting, crocheting, antique paper ephemera, and spending time with family. She was a loving wife, mother, and grandmother.

Survivors include her daughters, Nancy Burch of Tucson, Arizona and Judith Rozema and husband David of Kearney; grandchildren Laura Rozema of Salt Lake City, Utah and Steven Rozema and wife Rachel of Greensboro, North Carolina; sisters Anita Mae Smith of Albuquerque, NM and Betty Jo Landon of Sun City, AZ; and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Frank, her parents, and brother, James.

Tribute Wall



“ *Ruth Ann Matthews*

January 28, 2023 at 08:01 AM



“ *David & Judy and Family-*
I was very sorry to hear of your loss. You are in my thoughts and
prayers during this difficult time.
My Deepest Sympathy,
Lori G.

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