



## Ruth E. Slominski

November 30, 1946 - July 15, 2023

Ruth E. Slominski, wife, mother, grandmother, sister and dedicated educator passed away peacefully on Saturday, July 15, 2023 holding the hand of Ken, her husband of 55 years. Ruth was born November 30, 1946 in Loup City, NE. The youngest of five children of Maurice and Mamie Reiter.

She attended a one room school, Lone Elm, for eight years. After graduating from Loup City High School in 1965, she attended Kearney State College and graduated in January of 1969. It was in college when Ruth and Ken were married on November 11, 1967. In the late summer of 1969, they moved to Holdrege where Ruth taught Home Economics and Psychology for 31 years. "Mrs. Ski" as she was known by students, was a proud and dedicated teacher who had a love for education and worked hard to help all of her students. As a youth, Ruth was a 10 year 4-H member and served many years as a 4-H leader for sewing, clowning and horse projects. She was a bible study teacher for many years at both Holdrege and Kearney First Presbyterian Churches.

Ruth had a passion for hard work and going beyond what was required. She strived to do it the right way. Ruth enjoyed going on bus trips, long weekend rides in the countryside, fishing, camping and was an excellent seamstress. Even though she was a diabetic for 62 years she didn't let it get in her way. Those left to cherish her memory are her husband and best friend, Ken of Kearney; son, Chad Slominski of Holdrege; daughter, Kim (Jamie) Swanda of

Fairbury; granddaughters, Janessa and Aspen Swanda; sisters, Carolyn Reinertson and Judy Slominski; brothers, James Reiter and Larry Reiter.

Ruth was preceded in death by her parents; in-laws, Ed and Monica Slominski; brother-in-law, Reinert Reinertson; a niece Linda Reiter and nephew, Michael Long. Ruth's family wishes to express their gratitude for the love and care shown by so many staff members of CHI Good Samaritan Hospital.

The family requests no flowers, memorials are suggested to the family for future designation. Services are entrusted to O'Brien Straatmann Redinger Funeral and Cremation Services.

A celebration of life will be held 11:00 am Wednesday, July 26, 2023 at Kearney First Presbyterian Church, 4511 6th Ave, Kearney, NE. The family will receive friends one hour prior to the service at the church.

# Previous Events

## Family receiving friends

JUL **26.** 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

First Presbyterian Church  
4511 6th Ave.  
Kearney, NE 68845

## Celebration of Life

JUL **26.** 11:00 AM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

JM

“ Mrs. Slominski was such a good teacher for my girls. She really cared about everyone and was so kind. She will be missed by many! Prayers for the family 🙏🙏🙏

Jonell Mueller - July 19, 2023 at 10:23 AM

KK

“ Dear Ken, Chad, Kim & Family: I was very blessed to have Mrs. Ski as my teacher and friend at Holdrege. She will be deeply missed by all who knew her. My deepest condolences as well as my thoughts and prayers are with you all at this time.

Karen Kammann

Karen Kammann - July 18, 2023 at 10:38 PM



JC

“ I didn't ever have Mrs. Ski for a class, but she helped me with several 4-H projects and helped me feel comfortable in high school. She always said hello to me in the halls and she always made me feel "seen."

Jenna Christensen - July 18, 2023 at 08:56 PM

SS

Ruth lived on the same dorm floor in college and then we both ended up in Holdrege. She always had a smile and was fun to visit with occasionally and my son was one of her students and loved her class.

Sharon schrock - July 19, 2023 at 07:05 PM

BR

“ Sorry to hear of your passing, Mrs. Ski. I remember and enjoyed being your helper after school. You were a great home economics teacher and were always smiling. Prayers to your family.

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**Barbara Rios** - July 18, 2023 at 08:04 PM