



Fern K. Nielsen

August 29, 1924 - April 13, 2019

Fern K. Nielson, 94, of Grand island passed away peacefully and met her Lord and Savior on April 13th. Celebration of Life services will be held on Wednesday, April 17th, at 2 pm at All Faiths Funeral Home. Dan Naranjo will officiate. Visitation will be help 1 hour prior to the service. To honor her wishes, cremation has taken place. Fern and her late husband, Gaylord, will be buried together at a later date at Westlawn Memorial Park in Grand Island.

Mrs. Nielsen was born on August 29, 1924 to Edward and Katherine (Poss) Matausek in St. Paul, NE. When she was five years old her mother passed away and her grandmother, Anna Matousek came to live with the family, helping to raise her into young womanhood. She attended District 8 country school and graduated from St. Paul High School in 1942. She taught in several rural schools in Howard County for 4 ½ years and helped keep house for her father.

On May 22, 1948, she was married to Gaylord Nielsen. They lived and farmen on their farm north west of Dannebrog for 20 years, until they moved to Grand Island in 1979. The couple moved to Good Samaritan in 2011. Gaylord passed away on March 6, 2014

She was baptized and confirmed as a member of the Lutheran faith, taught Bible classes, and was active in church circles. She was also a member of the Does and Extension Clubs for many years in Howard and Hall counties. Mrs. Nielsen worked for one year in the advertising department for Mid State News in St. Paul. She was also employed by the University of Nebraska as a

nutrition aide for 5 ½ years, receiving recognition as Outstanding Nutrition Aide in Nebraska in 1975.

Mrs. Nielsen is survived by a niece, Dr. Ramnoa Graves; nephew, Eric (Maxine) Nielsen; sister-in-law, Harriett Nielsen; step-brother, Dale (Sally) Spilinek; step-sisters, Ruth Spilinek, Roberta Spilinek; aunt, Wilma Poss; and many cousins. She is also survived by special friends, Bruce (Kay) Mumm, Laura McDermatt, Gary (Connie) Gannon, Ruth (Gene) Campbell, and a host of other friends.

Fern was preceded in death by her husband; parents; grandparents, Joseph and Anna Matousek; step-mother, Esther Matousek; step-sister, Rosella Noden; step-brothers, Ralph and Jerry Spininek; brother-in-law, Forrest Nielsen; and several cousins.

Memorials are suggested to Fern Nielsen memorial fund or donor's choice.

Tribute Wall



“ *Fern K. Nielsen*

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