



Helen B. Boysen

April 13, 1923 - November 24, 2021

Helen B. Boysen, 98, of Grand Island passed away on Wednesday, November 24, 2021.

Cremation has taken place and there will be a private service at a later date. All Faiths Funeral Home is serving the family.

Helen was born April 13, 1923, in Ainsworth, NE, the daughter of Conrad and Ella (Schleuter) Budde. She graduated from Ainsworth High School in 1940 and from Midland Lutheran College in 1963. Helen did her graduate work at Colorado State University, University of Colorado and University of Nebraska, at Lincoln.

On April 6, 1943, Helen married Gene W. Boysen at Rock Port, Missouri. The couple had made their home in Omaha before relocating to Grand Island in 1947. She taught at Grand Island Public Schools, including Walnut and Barr Junior High Schools, for 23 years; retiring in 1985. She was an attendee of the first Girls State in Nebraska.

Helen served as President of Grand Island Education Association. She also served on the Executive Committee of Tri Valley District of the Nebraska Education Association, Board of Directors of Nebraska Education Association and Board of Directors of Nebraska Education Association – Retired; and she was past President of Nebraska Council for Social Studies.

She served on the Board of Trustees as the Nebraska Synod Representative for Midland Lutheran College, as well as, the Board Executive Committee and Board Secretary.

Those who cherish her memory include her daughter-in-law, Sally Boysen of Green Valley, AZ; sons, Robert (Linda) Boysen of Loveland, CO, and Bernie (Amy) Boysen of Shawnee, OK; grandchildren, Dr. Gene (Terri) Boysen, Darin (Tina) Boysen, Jonea (Tommy) Sugishita, Jessica Boysen (Aaron Bauer), Melissa Lanier and Mary (Jerry) Rhein; great-grandchildren, Eric Boysen, Emily Boysen, Jordan Boysen, Hailey Boysen, Jacob Lanier, Elizabeth Lanier, Jeffrey Rhein, Jerry Rhein Jr. and Ashley Sohl.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Gene on February 13, 1960; son, Budde Boysen; grandson, Tay Boysen; brother, Conrad Budde Jr.; and sister, Evelyn Churchill Collingwood.

Memorials are suggested to Messiah Ev Lutheran Church of Grand Island.

Tribute Wall



“ *Helen B. Boysen*

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“ *Helen was a "good" friend to my Mother, Elberta Mankin, for many years at Riverside. In my Mother's last years of earthly life she was blind, but she knew how to get to the dining room.....that is where Helen helped her the most..... getting her seated, getting her breakfast to the table and clearing off the dishes. If my Mother didn't arrive by a certain time Helen would check on her. After my Mother's passing I continued to take tomatoes to Helen until COVID hit. Tuesday was the day that I usually stopped in to visit with Helen. Each time, she was in the process of washing her clothes! Helen and my Mother were very much alike --- both were stubborn about doing their own washing and administrating their own medicines. Many thanks for your Mother's friendship with my Mother.*

Roberta (Berdie) Cool

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“ *Mrs. Boysen was a great teacher, I remember well her "let's make a cookie" approach to thinking sequentially and critically, even after all these years. So glad she lived a good long life and leaves behind many family members. May her memory be a blessing~*

Shari Schnuelle - November 28, 2021 at 11:55 AM