



Alice L. Rumery

April 30, 1931 - July 14, 2017

Alice L. Rumery, 86, Kearney, passed away Friday, July 14, 2017 at CHI Good Samaritan Hospital in Kearney in the presence of family. Memorial services will be 10:30 a.m., Friday, July 28, 2017 at Horner Lieske McBride & Kuhl Funeral and Cremation Services with Pastor Dean Pofahl officiating. Burial will be at the Kearney Cemetery. A reception will be held from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. at the Rowe Sanctuary, 4450 Elm Island Rd., Gibbon, NE. In lieu of flowers memorials are suggested to the National Audubon Rowe Sanctuary.

Alice was born to Harold and Lucille Mayborn on April 30, 1931, while the family lived in Bayard, Nebraska. In 1934, they moved to Scottsbluff, NE, where she excelled in the Scottsbluff Schools, earning an associate degree at Scottsbluff Junior College. She graduated from the University of Nebraska Omaha with a degree as a medical laboratory technologist.

In 1954, she married Kenneth Rumery, to this union were born 2 sons, Kevin and Craig and a daughter Gayle. They lived in several Nebraska towns including Scotia and McCook before moving to Kearney in 1966.

During her career as a medical technologist she worked at the Kearney Clinic, many years as the Laboratory Supervisor, retiring in 1996.

She loved to learn, even into later years taking classes at the senior college at UNK, and was an avid reader, a supporter of libraries and education. A lover of nature all her life, she was always a student and defender of the natural world, and an enthusiastic bird watcher. She was a dedicated member of the

Big Bend chapter of the National Audubon Society, and a longtime supporter of National Audubon Society's Rowe Sanctuary.

In later years, she partnered with William Dunn. Both skilled photographers, they enjoyed extensive travel both inside the United States and beyond.

Alice is survived by her partner of nearly 30 years, Bill Dunn of Kearney; son, Kevin Rumery and his wife Julie of Denver, CO; daughter, Gayle Rumery-Haar and her husband Jonathon of Grand Island; sister, Nancy Mayborn Petersen and her husband James of Denver, CO; brothers-in-law, Wayne Ehrisman of San Antonio, TX, and Ron Waits of Denver, CO; grandchildren Joshua Keller and his wife Danielle of Kansas City, KS, and Elizabeth Keller of Grand Island; step-daughters, Kelly Johnson and her husband Mike of Lincoln, NE, Meredith Dunn-Wall of Omaha, NE; step-son, Dan Dunn and his wife Rosemary of Danbury, CT; step-grandchildren, Sean and Grace Johnson of Lincoln, NE, Shailana and Janak Dunn-Wall of Omaha, NE, Michael Dunn and his wife Megan, and Elizabeth Dunn of Danbury, CT; seven nieces and nephews, including Jennifer Rumery and her husband Grant of Minden.

Alice was preceded in death by her son Craig Rumery, and two sisters Emilie Ehrisman and Carol Waits.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

JUL 28. 10:30 AM (CT)

Horner Lieske McBride & Kuhl
2421 Avenue A
Kearney, NE 68847
(308) 237-2259
<https://www.hlmkfuneral.com>

Visitation

JUL 28. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (CT)

Rowe Sanctuary
44450 Elm Island Rd.
Gibbon, NE 68840

Tribute Wall



“ *Alice L. Rumery*

January 29, 2023 at 11:14 AM



“ *I wish to extend my deepest sympathy in your loss of Alice. She was a member of my book group for many years and she will certainly be missed. Alice was a kind, lovely woman who added so much to our discussions. Her insight and sense of humor will be remembered fondly by those of us who were privileged to know her.*

Marlene Hansen

Marlene Hansen - July 28, 2017 at 01:26 PM



“ *Summer's Light Bouquet was purchased for the family of Alice L. Rumery.*



July 24, 2017 at 01:07 PM



“ *We will dearly miss our Aunt Alice but we know she is in a better place with her sisters watching over all the birds.*

Greg Waits - July 21, 2017 at 09:58 PM

MU

“ I met Alice in the early 1980's after moving back to Nebraska from the Los Angeles area of California. I became active with the Big Bend Audubon chapter in Kearney and she was the president of the group. I served on the board and Alice was a fun, but no nonsense leader that did a great job of keeping us on task :) She was a kind and intelligent lady!

In later years she and Bill were members of the Kearney Photo Club. We are a small group that's like a family. We all feel we have lost a valuable member! My life was enriched to have met her and learned from her. I will miss her very much!

Mark Urwiller

Mark Urwiller - July 21, 2017 at 11:07 AM

TK

“ Thinking of Bill and the Rumery's at this time. We have many fond memories of our birding and photography days. Wes and Amy Kellogg



The Kelloggs - July 20, 2017 at 10:25 AM

TG

“ Tammy & Gene lit a candle in memory of Alice L. Rumery



Tammy & Gene - July 18, 2017 at 11:57 AM

CW

“ *Connie Welty lit a candle in memory of Alice L. Rumery*



Connie Welty - July 17, 2017 at 02:18 PM