



Betty L. Skiles

September 12, 1932 - April 11, 2020

Betty L. Skiles, 87, of Kearney, died April 11, 2020 at Wel-Life Assisted Living under the care of Tabitha Hospice. Due to the current COVID-19 restrictions the family has chosen to have a celebration of life service at a later date. A private family graveside service will take place 2:00 p.m., April 15, 2020 at the Kearney Cemetery with Thayne Moore officiating. In lieu of flowers, memorials are suggested to Tabitha Hospice or Wel-Life Assisted Living in Kearney. Memorials and cards may be mailed to the family or Horner Lieske McBride & Kuhl Funeral and Cremation Services of Kearney in care of the Betty Skiles Family, 2421 Ave. a, Kearney, NE 68847.

Betty was born September 12, 1922 in Mason City, Nebraska to Dallas and Bertha (Royle) Crosley. She graduated from Ansley High School.

Betty married Dana "Gene" Mills of May 14, 1950 in Ansley. To this union four children, David, Sharon, Debra, and Jeanne were born. They farmed near Ansley for three years and then moved to Canada where Gene worked in the oil fields, and then the Uranium Mines in Lander, Wyoming returning to Kearney in 1964. Gene passed away on January 23, 1978.

Betty worked as a bookkeeper for Redman's Shoes in Kearney for many years until retiring in 1980.

Betty married Ross Skiles in Kearney in March of 1980. They lived on his farm until he passed away in 1999. She moved into town in 1999. Betty moved into Wel-Life in 2013 and met her new extended family. She loved everyone that took care of her at Wel-Life.

Betty loved being with her family, especially watching her grandchildren and great grandchildren's sporting events. She loved Nebraska Football and the Kansas City Chiefs. Her favorite Sunday afternoon pastime was watching NFL Redzone.

Betty is survived by her son, David and Rebecca Mills of Stevensville, MT; daughters, Sharon and John Beezley of Kearney, Jeanne Sweeten of Lewisville, TX; brother, Keith Crosley of Pittsburg, CA; sister-in-law, Olive and Ken Nielsen of Broken Bow, NE; 11 grandchildren and 19 great grandchildren.

Betty was preceded in death by her husbands; daughter, Debbie Roper-Leal; grandson, Ryan Roper; sons-in-law, Tim Roper and Harlin "Skip" Sweeten.

Cemetery Details

Kearney Cemetery

4400 Avenue I
Kearney, NE 68847

Previous Events

Private Family Service

APR 15. 2:00 PM (CT)

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

Tribute Wall



“ *Betty L. Skiles*

January 29, 2023 at 11:14 AM



“ *I got to know Betty while my dad was a resident at Wel-Life. Betty was such a nice lady and always had a sweet smile. I am sorry for your loss. Linda Grimes*

Linda Grimes - April 15, 2020 at 04:32 PM



“ *Sharon and family,*

We were so sorry to see that your mom passed away! Our hearts share your sadness! I lost my sister (in California) right at the beginning of the Coronavirus onset. It is so very hard to lose someone and even harder when your family and friends can't be there in person to share your grief. I always thought your mom was a hoot! She could make you laugh! We are keeping you ALL in our thoughts and prayers. Keep your memories close and smile...I think she would want you to do that! All our love....Don & Linda Morosic

Linda Morosic - April 14, 2020 at 04:12 PM



“ *To the family of Betty- Our hearts and sympathy are with you.
Mary Ellen Lantis and family*



Mary Ellen Lantis - April 14, 2020 at 04:08 PM