



Carolee "Lee" V. Coppel

July 29, 1928 - March 28, 2022

Carolee "Lee" V. Coppel, 93, of Kearney, died peacefully Monday, March 28, 2022 at Country House Residence in Kearney. A celebration of Life service will be held 11:00 am, Friday, April 22, 2022 at the Kearney eFree Church with Pastor John Fowler officiating. Inurnment will follow the service at Kearney Cemetery. Memorials are suggested to the Kearney eFree Church.

Lee was born July 29, 1928 in Kearney to Carl and Lydia (Reusch) Weber. She grew up in Kearney and graduated from Kearney High School in 1946. She attended Mills College in Oakland, California, and Stanford University in Palo Alto, California before graduating with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Education from Kearney State College in 1965.

Lee married Edward Coppel on January 15, 1948 in Tucumcari, New Mexico. They lived on Donner Summit near Truckee, California for several years before returning to Kearney where they farmed north of Kearney until retirement.

Lee taught kindergarten for 19 years at Riverdale School. She was a member of numerous organizations including the Buffalo County Teachers Association, American Association of University Women, Alpha Delta Kappa honorary, and Good Samaritan Hospital Service League where she volunteered for many years. She was a member of the Kearney eFree Church, and active in

numerous bible studies. She was a woman of deep faith, a follower of Jesus Christ and showed kindness to everyone she met. Her contagious smile could warm any heart.

Lee is survived by her daughters, Carla (Jerry) Culver of Lincoln, NE, Carol Haycock of Kearney; son, Bill (Terri) Coppel of Santa Rosa, CA; brother Carl Weber of Kearney; 12 grandchildren, and 7 great grandchildren.

Lee was preceded in death by her husband.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life Service

APR **22**. 11:00 AM (CT)

Kearney E- Free Church
4010 7th Ave.
Kearney, NE 68845

Tribute Wall



“ *Carolee "Lee" V. Coppel*

January 29, 2023 at 11:14 AM



“ *To the family of Lee Coppel,
I am so sorry for your loss. I enjoyed getting
to know Lee at church, Such a beautiful
person. Will miss her. May God comfort you
with His peace at this time.*



Kimberly Rebman - April 21, 2022 at 04:10 PM



“ *Carla, Carol, and families,*

*I remember Carolee so fondly. She was always so kind and
interested in others with a beautiful smile. Mom considered her one
of her very best friends from high school. I remember coming out to
visit your family as a child as Mom didn't want to lose connections
with such a special friend.*

*Please know that you and your families are in our thoughts and
prayers,*

Mary (McKinney) Kommers

Mary S Kommers - April 20, 2022 at 09:09 AM



“ *Comfort & Light 30" Sonnet was purchased for the family of Carolee "Lee" V. Coppel.*



April 18, 2022 at 09:35 PM



“ *So sorry for your loss! Lee was a sweet lady when she lived next door to my mother on Pony Express. I used to visit with her when I would come to visit my mom Eleanore Freeze & my aunt Edna Howe. Now she can RIP like aunt Edna.*

Patsy (Freeze) Taber

Patsy Freeze)Taber - April 05, 2022 at 09:08 PM



“ *Carla and family, my condolences are with you and your family.*
Joann (Stengel) Tumbleson

Joann Tumbleson - March 30, 2022 at 11:46 AM



Carla your mom was such a sweet lady. Dann and I are remembering how she would make wonderful desserts for our small group bible study.

Patty and Dann Freburg - March 31, 2022 at 12:40 PM

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So sorry for your loss of the sweetest person I have known. She was the greeter in the church when I walked in for the first time after my husband got killed in an accident. She helped me through that Sunday morning and stayed my dearest friend for many years after that. I will miss that smile always. my prayers to all of her family.

Eddie Nelson

Eddie Nelson - April 05, 2022 at 10:22 AM