



Doralene E. Weed

July 12, 2016 - July 12, 2016

Doralene E. Weed, 85, Kearney, died Tuesday, July 12, 2016 at C.H.I. Health Good Samaritan Hospital in Kearney. Funeral services will be 1:30 p.m., Friday, July 15, 2016 at the First Baptist Church with the Rev. Stan Murdoch officiating. Burial will be at the Kearney Cemetery. Visitation will be 5:00 to 7:00 p.m., Thursday, July 14, 2016 with the family present at Horner Lieske McBride and Kuhl Funeral and Cremation Services and one hour prior to the service at the church. Memorials are suggested to the First Baptist Church, Mother Hull Home, or Nebraska Firefighters Museum. To view the service live, log onto www.Kearneyfb.org Doralene was born June 25, 1931 in Smithfield, Nebraska to Merle and Rachel (Harvey) Robbins. She grew up in Kearney and graduated from Kearney High School in 1949. While working as an usherette at the World Theater, Doralene met fellow usher Gordon Weed. They later married on April 29, 1950 in Julesburg, Colorado. The pair supported each other's careers and activities throughout their marriage. Together, Doralene and Gordon taught their family to love Jesus, treasure family and friends, the value of hard work, and the importance of public service. They designed and hand built the house they lived in for 60 years. Doralene and Gordon were also proud to be actively involved the early planning of establishing the Nebraska Firefighters Museum in Kearney. Doralene's greatest joy was spending time with her family and friends. She especially enjoyed the time spent with her cousins in the Harvey and Robbins Family. Doralene worked in public service most of her life. She was the first

woman elected to the Buffalo County Board of Supervisors and served from 1976 until 1992. In 1990 she was elected President of the Nebraska Association of County Officials (NACO), and was proud to have visited 87 of the 93 county courthouses during that year. Beginning in 1992, she served for 12 years on the Nebraska Public Power Board of Directors. Doralene also was involved with the Guardian Council of Job's Daughters; Assistant 4-H leader; State Advisory Committee for Title XX Services; Chairman-General Assistance and Medically Indigent Committee of NACO Board; Ex-Officio Director-Kearney Area Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors; Member of Governing Board Mid-Nebraska Individual Services; Member of Tuscan Chapter No. 35 Order of Eastern Star; Buffalo County Republican Women, and First Baptist Church, where she was active in the Prison and Jail Ministry. Doralene has been honored with the Presidents Award for Distinguished Leadership in County Government-NACO; International Women's Week Honoree; Runner-up, American Association of University Women Award for Outstanding Women Contributing to Local Government. Doralene is survived by her daughters Julie Brooker and husband Jim, Andrea Weed of Kearney; grandsons Aaron Brooker and wife Laura and their children Elias, Jonas, and Ari of Omaha, Jacob Brooker and wife Lindsey and their children Liam and Josie of Dallas, TX; nieces and their husbands Jana and Joe Green, Lori and Rex Skarka, Jill and Jerry Milligan, Lisa and Kevin Kunnemann, Joni Weed and Dan Kossmann, Leigh and Chuck Stepanek, and a host of cousins and friends. Doralene was preceded in death by her husband Gordon.

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 14. 12:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

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

Tribute Wall



“ *Doralene E. Weed*

January 29, 2023 at 11:14 AM



“ *Julie and family,*

So sorry to hear of your mother's death. She was a true role model for women. Please know thoughts and prayers go with you.

Nancy McCammon-Hansen - July 18, 2016 at 12:00 AM



“ *Julie,*
Sending my thoughts and prayers to you and your family at this difficult time.
Love,
Diane

Diane (Cox) Jelkin - July 18, 2016 at 12:00 AM



“ *Dear Weed family, I will miss Doralene very much. Growing just across the ally from Doralene and Gordon growing up I have many fond memories. I remember when Doralene hired me to paint the floor in a room in the basement, I wasn't very old at the time and managed to paint myself into a corner. She had a good laugh at that one.*

Bruce and Georgia Petersen - July 16, 2016 at 12:00 AM

BP

“ *The Weed family were our very close friends and neighbors for many years. We were so looking forward to visiting with Doralene in August. She was very special to us and we will miss her very much.*

Bob and Betty Petersen - July 16, 2016 at 12:00 AM

CJ

“ *It is so hard to say goodbye to our dear friend Doralene. The Weeds were like family and the many happy memories will never be forgotten.*

Carol and Andy Jencks - July 16, 2016 at 12:00 AM

MO

“ *Doralene was an amazing person. It is my prayer that the family can find comfort in God's promises for the future. John 5:28,29 and Revelation 21:3,4*

Monterey - July 16, 2016 at 12:00 AM

JB

“ *So sorry to hear of Doralene's death. She was a wonderful person who did a lot for our community. I'm sorry that I'll miss the funeral, but my prayers will be there.*

John Bancroft - July 14, 2016 at 12:00 AM

LZ

“ *I considered it an honor to work with Doralene years ago when we both served Buffalo County. You have my sympathy and prayers.*

Luann Zastrow - July 14, 2016 at 12:00 AM