



June M. Campbell

June 26, 1928 - November 15, 2020

June M. Campbell, age 92, of Kearney, passed away Sunday, November 15, 2020 at Good Samaritan Society – St. John’s in Kearney. At her request she will be cremated; a memorial service will be scheduled later. In lieu of flowers, June’s wish was for contributions to the Dr. Jack Campbell Memorial Scholarship for Special Education at UNK. Please visit www.hlmkfuneral.com to leave a tribute or message of condolence. Horner Lieske McBride & Kuhl Funeral and Cremation Services in Kearney is in charge of arrangements.

June Marie Dawson was born June 26, 1928 to John Isaac Dawson and Grace Ellen (Pfund) Dawson in Wayne, Neb., where she grew up and attended high school. June attended Wayne State Teachers College, studying journalism and graduating with an education major. She married Jack L. Campbell in 1949.

The couple moved from Lincoln to Kearney in 1962 when Jack joined the teaching staff at then-Kearney State College, where he eventually became a department head and professor of education. June was active for many years in the League of Women Voters, bridge clubs, the Red Cross and Kiwanis. An avid bowler, she competed in local leagues and once attended the USBC Women’s Championships with her team. She also volunteered many hours working in the Good Samaritan Hospital gift shop, where she contributed her bookkeeping skills.

In her later years she found time to travel. Her adventures included whale-watching, visiting Ireland, touring Alaska’s Inside Passage aboard a converted tugboat, venturing aloft in a hot-air balloon in Kenya and attending her daughter Jodi’s wedding in La Adrada, Spain. June loved books, especially mysteries, and kept a shelf of reading material near her favorite chair, along with newspapers that would not be discarded until she had finished the crossword puzzle. She enjoyed chatting on the phone with her grown children, who eventually learned not to call during “Jeopardy.”

June is survived by a sister, Mildred Titgemeyer of Andover, OH; children, Kenneth (Susan

Ballenger) Campbell of Sacramento, CA, Cheryl (Tom) Wiensch of Rhinelander, WI, Chuck (Gwen) Campbell, full-time RVers living in Nebraska and Texas; Patty (Dan) Scarborough of Geneva, NE, Michael (Laura) Campbell of Omaha, NE and Jodi (Juan Carlos) Sola of Fort Worth, TX; eight grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren; and a host of friends and bridge partners.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Jack, in 1997 and by three sisters and three brothers.

Tribute Wall



“ June M. Campbell

January 29, 2023 at 11:14 AM

CS

“ What a wonderful visit we had the last time we were together- you will be truly missed

Connie Swearingen - February 05, 2021 at 05:11 PM

JR

“ I met June through faculty wives and enjoyed spending time with her, several years ago, in a bridge group and, more recently, in a lunch group.

June had a great intellect and sense of humor and was so open minded. She was an avid reader and such an interesting person. She was well ahead of her time.

She always spoke fondly of her family. Her loss is so very sad for her family and her many friends.

Janet Rowling - November 30, 2020 at 12:08 PM

PT

“ I met June at the Kearney Y, we were in 'chair yoga' together. She was wise, witty, and just a wonderful lady ! We will all miss her...

Phyllis Thorne - November 22, 2020 at 04:21 PM

MH

“ Sending my deepest sympathy to June's family. She was such a delightful lady that I came to know through KSC/UNK Faculty Wives organization. We belonged to the Lunch Bunch group for many years and she was always so much fun to talk to when we got together. A lovely woman who will be fondly remembered and missed by many people. Cherish your memories of this special lady. Marlene Hansen



Marlene D Hansen - November 20, 2020 at 06:10 PM

MC

“ I am lucky to have been one of June's grandchildren and to have gotten to know different sides of her through the years and am so grateful for the time we had together. She will live on in my memory as a warm presence during family gatherings, with a patient ear and a well-timed zinger, a twinkle in her eye, a deep belly laugh. She is much loved, and much missed.

Molly Campbell - November 17, 2020 at 05:59 PM

BS

“ When we first moved to Kearney in 1962, June and her family lived 1/2 block east of us and across the street. We enjoyed her 'neighborliness', always cheerful. We were 'faculty wives' of KSC together. Our children played with the younger Campbell children occasionally. Love this picture of June-it is HER. Jim and Blanche Swanson

Blanche Swanson - November 17, 2020 at 09:55 AM



“ Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of June M. Campbell.



November 16, 2020 at 08:37 PM