



Melissa E. Voss

January 19, 2017 - January 19, 2017

Melissa E. Voss, 97, of Kearney, died Thursday, January 19, 2017 at Cambridge Court in Kearney. Funeral services will be 10:00 a.m., Wednesday, January 25, 2017 at the First United Methodist Church with Rev. Alan Davis officiating. Burial will be at 2:00 p.m. the Blue Valley Cemetery, Ayr, Nebraska. Visitation will be Tuesday, January 24, 2017 from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. at Horner Lieske McBride & Kuhl Funeral Home and one hour prior to the service Wednesday at the church. Memorials are suggested to the family to be designated later. Melissa was born October 9, 1919 in Moose Jaw, Saskatchewan, Canada to Ralph and Lucy (Woodworth) Monahan. She grew up in Ayr, Nebraska, graduating high school in 1936. Following graduation she attended Grand Island Business College, where an emphasis was placed on taking the civil service test. After passing the test she was called to Washington, D.C. where she was assigned to the Judge Advocate General's Office in the War Department. Melissa considered this a great honor. There she met Thomas Voss and married July 12, 1941. Their daughter Carolyn was born February 14, 1945. In 1948 the family moved to Denver, Colorado, where Melissa worked as a bookkeeper and secretary. The couple built a home there, working evenings and weekends until it was completed. Thomas and Melissa retired in Rockport, Texas, where they enjoyed making and selling wooden items at craft fairs, fresh seafood, and sunny living near the Gulf of Mexico. Following the passing of her husband, Melissa moved to Kearney, Nebraska to be close to her family. She quickly made friends, involving herself

in many groups, and donating her time and talents. She took much pride in being a member of the Golden K Kiwanis, First United Methodist Church of Kearney, and the Mayflower Society of America. Throughout her life Melissa loved gardening, playing piano, swimming and staying active, crossword puzzles and keeping a daily journal. She enjoyed spending afternoons watching golf and football games with her beloved Broncos and Cowboys. Melissa was revered as a matriarch to her family. She will be missed dearly by her daughter and son-in-law Carolyn and Merlyn Jacobsen of Kearney, sister-in-law Betty Monahan, grandchildren and spouse Cindy (Wagner) and Jack Spors, Shani (Wagner) and Kevin Mildfeldt, all of Minden, Sherrie (Wagner) and Matt Edwards of Omaha, great-grandchildren Christopher and Lexie Wagner, Shannon and Kyle Spors, Noah and Olivia Edwards, great-grandchildren and spouse Rachelle (Spors) and Cesar Vidal, Jessica (Spors) and Marc Werkmeister, Amanda (Mildfeldt) and Matt Brabec, great-great-grandchildren Nicole, Brianna, Campbell, and Britton. Melissa was preceded in death by her parents Ralph and Lucy, husband Thomas, brother Jack, brother and sister-in law Robert and Lillian Monahan, and grandson Charles Wagner.

Tribute Wall



“ *Melissa E. Voss*

January 29, 2023 at 11:14 AM



“ *MELISSA WAS A NEAT LADY I LOVE THE STORIES SHE TOLD ME. WHEN SHE LIVIED @ THE REGENCY. SHE WOULD COME AND HELP SET THE TABLES FOR ME. AND SHE ALWAYS SAY TO ME ITS NOT EASY GETTING OLD! WITH DEEPEST SYMPATHY PEGGY SIMMONS.*

peggy simmons - January 25, 2017 at 12:00 AM



“ *My grandma Elaine (Woodworth) Kort and Melissa were best childhood to adult friends. I will always cherish all the photos I have of grandma and Melissa and all of grandmas colorful story's of their adventures! I hope they are reunited in heaven and swapping story's again!*

*Love & Hugs
Sally*

Sally Snyder - January 24, 2017 at 12:00 AM



“ *As parish visitor of the First United Methodist Church, I was privileged to spend time with Melissa. It was such a joy to share with Melissa and witness her "upbeat attitude." The smile on her face and the gracious way she spoke of her family was a real blessing. I will certainly miss Melissa! She was a gem!*

Pastor Jerry Schwarz - January 24, 2017 at 12:00 AM

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“ *We Love You Lots Grandma!
We will Miss You So Much!!
Your a Lucky Duck!!
Quack...Quack...
This is something she always said then she would quack like a
duck.
Love You Lots,
Kevin, Shani, Amanda & Matt*

Shani Mildfeldt - January 23, 2017 at 12:00 AM