



Dorothy Marie West

December 7, 1931 - January 30, 2021

Dorothy Marie West, age 89 of Neodesha, Kansas, passed away Saturday, January 30, 2021 at Wilson Medical Center in Neodesha, Kansas.

Dorothy was born December 7, 1931 in Rock Island, Washington to Sylvester and Dellia (Smith) Hopper. She grew up with 2 brothers, Robert and Leonard, and her family moved to Kansas while she was very young. She attended school in Mulberry, Kansas, graduating from Mulberry High School in the class of 1949. She then attended Independence Community College and Ottawa Junior College.

Early in 1950, Dorothy met a young military man named Leroy. She had been wanting to meet him, as she had always heard her neighbors talk about their son that was in the military. They went out for a bowl of chili, and that's all it took. On August 27, 1950, Dorothy married Leroy West in Mulberry, KS. They spent the next 70 wonderful years together, raising their 4 children.

During their early years of marriage, they moved around to several places for work, and in 1970 made their home in Neodesha, KS. Dorothy spent time teaching with the preschool Head Start program, sold insurance for a while and worked for an Audiologist making hearing aids. Her main focus though, was being a mom and then later a grandma and great-grandma.

Dorothy was active as a Scout leader while her children were growing up, was a member of the United Methodist Church, enjoyed crocheting, quilting, painting and reading.

Dorothy is survived by her children:

Raymond (Gloria) West of Carthage, MO

James (Joyce) West of Neodesha, KS

Janet (John) Eggars of Neodesha, KS

Debora West of Conifer, CO

8 grandchildren, 16 great-grandchildren, and 3 great-great grandchildren

Former exchange student who came to the US in 1990 from Denmark, Nic Birch and wife, 4 children, and 3 step children

Brothers:

Robert (Nancy) Hopper of St. Joseph, MO

Leonard (Karen) Hopper of Colby, KS

She was preceded in death by her parents, and husband Leroy.

Cremation has been requested, with a graveside memorial service will be held on Saturday, March 27, 2021 at 11:00 AM at Rosebank Cemetery, Mulberry, KS

Following graveside services there will be a Celebration of Life service at 1:00 PM at the Senior Center in Mulberry, KS

Memorial contributions can be made to the Neodesha Arts Association and can be mailed to or left with the funeral home.

Services have been entrusted to:

Countryside Funeral Home, 420 S. 20th, PO Box 247, Fredonia, KS 66736

Cemetery Details

Rosebank Cemetery

Mulberry, KS 66756

Previous Events

Graveside Service

MAR 27. 11:00 AM (CT)

Rosebank Cemetery
Mulberry, KS 66756

Celebration of Life

MAR 27. 1:00 PM (CT)

Mulberry Senior Center
Mulberry, KS 66756

Tribute Wall

VH

“ Sorry to hear of your loss. our thoughts & Prayers are with you at this time. Vicki & Dale Holtzman

vicki holtzman - February 06, 2021 at 04:58 PM

VS

“ I knew Dorothy many years ago when she worked at the Wilson County Extension office! We had so much fun visiting with each other..Dorothy was an extremely loving and generous woman..

Vicky Speaks - February 05, 2021 at 11:50 PM



“ Gracious Lavender Basket was purchased for the family of Dorothy Marie West.



February 05, 2021 at 01:22 PM

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“ Sandy (Buel) Thompson lit a candle in memory of Dorothy Marie West



Sandy (Buel) Thompson - February 04, 2021 at 01:02 PM

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“ Jim, Joyce, and families, I am so sorry to hear of the passing of your Mom. My heartfelt condolences to you all at this sad time.

Sandy (Buel) Thompson - February 04, 2021 at 01:02 PM

DB

“ A doubly sad time to find that Dorothy has also passed on and is no longer with us. She too will be greatly missed by many. She was a good woman, and a kind soul. There is some peace and reassurance in knowing that her and Leroy are well and together again. And I mean that in the most kindest and loving way. They will be looking down and keeping watch on their loved ones, never far away. Prayers for you all.

Deah and Mike Blevens - February 04, 2021 at 11:26 AM