



Ruth Pauline Morgan

July 6, 1925 - June 12, 2014

Ruth Pauline Morgan, age 88 of Albia, left her earthly home Thursday, June 12, 2014, under the care of Monroe County Hospice and surrounded by her family at the Monroe County Hospital in Albia.

Ruth was born July 6, 1925, in Des Moines to Roy James and Esther (Swartz) Spears. She married Lloyd Alymer Morgan on November 18, 1945, at the United Brethren Church in Albia and to this union three children were born, Ruth Ann, Sue, and Craig. They shared 67 years of marriage and numerous adventures before Lloyd's passing on July 6, 2013.

Ruth attended country schools in Monroe County through 8th grade, and graduated from Albia High School in 1942. Then, she attended Iowa American Business College. She worked at United Finance Company in Ottumwa and First Iowa State Bank in Albia before she and Lloyd moved to California. There, she worked at North American Aviation and for the credit union, in which she became branch manager of in Downey, CA. Ruth and Lloyd moved back to Albia in 1965. Ruth became Deputy County Treasurer and later Monroe County Treasurer, retiring in 1988.

Ruth was a lifelong member of Trinity United Methodist Church in Albia and United Methodist Women. She volunteered with hospice and in the schools. She enjoyed reading, playing the trombone, and loved to dance and travel.

She also cherished the time spent with her family, especially her grandchildren and great grandchildren. She was very proud of them all.

Ruth is survived by her two daughters, Ruth Ann (Jackie) Johnson and Sue (John) Goode; one son, Craig (Beth) Morgan; six grandchildren, Noland (Melia) Johnson, Melissa Johnson, (Bruce Kingsbury), Erik (Jennifer) Goode, Aimee (Jonathan) Head, Joshua (Dawn) Morgan, and Curtis Morgan; twelve great grandchildren. Ruth is also survived by a sisters, Norma (Bill) Henderson; a brother, Irvin Spears; a sister-in-law, Frances Spears; and numerous nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Roy and Esther; her husband, Lloyd Morgan; a brother, Dan Spears, and a sister-in-law, Cecelia Spears.

Funeral services will be 10 a.m., Tuesday, June 17, 2014, at Trinity United Methodist Church in Albia, with Pastor Neil Montz officiating. Burial will be in Oak View Cemetery in Albia.

Visitation will be 11 a.m.-8 p.m., Monday, June 16, 2014, at Tharp Funeral Home in Albia, with Ruth's family present throughout the day and evening.

Memorials may be made to Monroe County Hospice or Trinity United Methodist Church in Albia.

Tribute Wall



“ *Ruth Pauline Morgan*

January 30, 2023 at 05:06 AM



“ *Ruth Pauline Morgan*

January 30, 2023 at 02:53 AM



“ *I first met the Morgan family when they returned from CA. All of you, such bright stars! I loved listening to the music your family made. Always such joy from the gatherings at "Home Builders" It just hurt when I heard of Ruth's passing. Be strong and know that God will take care of your needs.*

Beth (McCombs) Miller - Belleville, IL - Church Family - June 19, 2014 at 12:00 AM



“ *The last place we were privileged to get acquainted again with Ruth was through Hospice when she signed up to be a volunteer. Lois also was in the Alzheimer Assoc, unit in Albia. Lois knew her in Church Women United also. Busy and thoughtful woman. We wish to extend our love to you as you continue down this journey of your memories as people continue to share the beautiful stories. Cherish them all in your hearts. That is keeping her alive in you. Blessings. Gene and Lois Behrens.*

Lois and Gene Behrens - Albia, IA - friend - June 18, 2014 at 12:00 AM

HN

“ Craig, Sue, Ruth and families. May the light of your mother's joy and peace forever guide your hearts. Thinking of you and sending love to all. Wish we were able to be in Albia Tuesday to honor Ruth. We will join you in spirit. She was a special woman to all of us. Hugs from all of us to all of you

Harry Morgan Family - Nieces and nephews - June 17, 2014 at 12:00 AM

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“ Lloyd and Ruth Morgan were two of the kindest, caring, down to earth people that I have ever had the pleasure to know. I have been truly blessed to able to know them and their family, that are just like them. They are truly missed by all, but are reunited in Heaven to never part ways again. It's not good bye, we'll see you both later.

John Van Wardhuizen - Albia, IA - June 16, 2014 at 12:00 AM

MF

“ Ruth Ann, Craig & Beth and families, My deepest sympathy for your loss of your Mother and grandmother. I have enjoyed knowing your Mother over the years and she always had a smile and positive attitude through all their health problems. Her and your Dad were such a good couple. I would imagine this past year has been hard on her but they are now together again. It is hard to let go of our parents, but you have all the good memories and know they will be looking over all your families and be so proud of what they have created and left behind until you all met again.

Marilyn and Steve Larson - Albia, IA - friend - June 14, 2014 at 12:00 AM

KF

“ Sue, I am so sorry for your loss. I know how hard it is to lose your mother. You will be in our thoughts and prayers.

Paul and Kathy Slofkosky

Kathy Slofkosky - Knoxville, IA - friend - June 13, 2014 at 12:00 AM

JF

“ Craig, Beth and family: Ruth was such a special person. I enjoyed her so much. Her smile and infectious laugh will be missed. She and your dad had such a great relationship - I believe they each respected the other - now they are no longer apart. Thinking of you.
Jo

Jo Vernooy - Leighton, IA - Friend - June 13, 2014 at 12:00 AM