



Ruth Palmer

December 22, 1927 - February 20, 2018

Ruth C. Palmer, of Grove, OK passed from this life on February 20, 2018 in Joplin, MO at the age of 90 years.

Ruth was born on December 22, 1927 in Medford, Oklahoma to Rudolph Felix Ratzlaff and Mary Ada (Smythe Edwards) Ratzlaff. Ruth attended college at East Central University in Ada, OK.

On June 20, 1948 Ruth married Rhame P. Wood in the First Methodist Church, Ada, OK. Rhame was attending dental school at The University of Kansas City School of Dentistry in Kansas City, MO. Ruth worked as a teller at a bank in Kansas City while Rhame attended school. Upon Rhame's graduation in 1951, they moved to Nowata, OK, where Rhame entered private practice. In 1962 the family moved to Bartlesville, OK. Ruth and Rhame were members of the First Baptist Church of Bartlesville for many years. Ruth enjoyed being an active member of the Bartlesville Garden Club. Ruth and Rhame were divorced on June 30th, 1988.

Ruth married Loren L. Palmer on August 7, 1993, in Bartlesville, Oklahoma. Loren is a retired Industrial Arts instructor who taught at colleges in Utah and New Mexico. Loren is also a World War II Army veteran who was responsible for medical supply duties. Ruth and Loren were both active members of the Trinity Baptist Church.

Ruth was preceded in death by her parents, Dr. Rhame Wood, and two brothers Jack and Jerry Ratzlaff.

She is survived by her loving husband, Loren Palmer. She is survived by her four children: Dr. Carol Caraway of Indiana, PA, Mark Wood of Grove, OK, Rhande Wood of Weatherford, TX, and Dr. Khem Wood of Miami, OK. Three step-children include Loren's sons: Glenn Palmer of Utah, Gary Palmer of MO, and Gail Palmer of Colorado. Also several step-grandchildren of the sons. One sister: Barbara Moore of Paul's Valley, OK. Three grandchildren: Robert Wood, Leigh Wood & William Wood. One great-grandchild Craven Campbell.

Funeral services will be held at 11 A.M. on Tuesday, February 27, 2018 at the Nichols Funeral Chapel in Grove. A brief graveside service will be held at the Memorial Park Cemetery, Bartlesville, OK at 2:00 P.M. on Wednesday, February 28, 2018.

Previous Events

Service

FEB 27. 11:00 AM (CT)

Nichols-Stephens Funeral and Cremation Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *Ruth Palmer*

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“ *Ruth was highly intelligent, she enjoyed simplicity and was very attractive. May her memory be a blessed one.*
Patricia Huff



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“ *Love, Khem purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Ruth Palmer.*



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“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Ruth Palmer.*



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