



Ruth Elizabeth Nielsen

August 19, 1926 - December 8, 2022

Ruth Elizabeth Nielsen was born on August 19, 1926, in Russell, Iowa to the late Robert and Frances (Radosevich) Stonehouse. She grew up in Iowa and Illinois.

Ruth married Albert Nielsen on October 5, 1946, at the Presbyterian Church in Peoria, Illinois and to this union four children were born: Robin, Jill, Todd and Tracy. Ruth and Al resided in Omaha and Rock Island, Illinois before settling down to raise their family in the Elk City area in 1965.

Ruth's most important job in life was taking care of her husband and raising her four children. She was a great homemaker and the world's best cook. She was known for always being the best dressed in the room. Her love of people made her house the perfect place for everyone to end up at, whether it would be by the pool, on the front porch or back patio, or in the middle of the night when her kids and their friends came to her house to eat breakfast that she happily cooked.

Ruth didn't have any grandkids, but she loved every grand dog, cat, horse, cow or donkey that her girls had. She was Mom, Aunt Ruth, Ruthie and even Grandma Ruth to a lot of the girl's friends. Opened her house and arms to so many people over the years. Forgave many. Loved everyone.

She loved to bowl, spend hours by the pool, and danced whenever she got the chance. As a young girl, her and Al loved to ride their motorcycles.

Ruth lived in the house that her and Al built in Elk City until August of this year. She then moved to Nye Legacy in Fremont where she passed away on

December 8, 2022. Her final days were spent surrounded by family. She was preceded in death by her son Todd, and husband Al. Ruth is survived by her daughters Robin Nielsen and Jill League of Elk City, Nebraska and Tracy and Tom Sabatka of Ord, Nebraska, and son-in-law David Holling of Elk City, Nebraska. Also survived by her brother Jack Stonehouse of Illinois and Lucille Bruhn of Nebraska. Many nieces and nephews and their children.

Memorial service 11 AM Monday, Reichmuth Funeral Home, Elkhorn.

Visitation Sunday from 3-5 PM at the funeral home. Inurnment at Hillcrest-Westlawn Cemetery at a later date. Memorials to the Nebraska Humane Society.

Cemetery Details

Westlawn-Hillcrest Memorial Park

56th & Center
Omaha, NE

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 11. 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM (CT)

Reichmuth Funeral Home - Omaha / Elkhorn
21901 W. Maple Rd.
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Memorial Service

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A lunch reception will follow the memorial service

Tribute Wall

PR

“ *Ruth was the sweetest customer and friend and could wear spiky hair with style, loved to get her nails polished and show off her jewelry, and always looked fashionable, I will always cherish the memories we had together.*
Priscilla

Prince - December 11, 2022 at 09:19 PM

SB

“ *I was Blessed to grow up in Elk City by the Nielsen's . Ruth sunbathed while I got to go swimming every day with my friends . She took us to the zoo . She made life fun . I was always in awe from childhood until her last days of how beautiful Ruth always looked . She was just as beautiful inside. Ruth's smile and that sparkle in her eyes - her humor was priceless . Ruth was COOL without trying .My deepest sympathy and hugs to all . Susie Bertelsen*

Susan Bertelsen - December 11, 2022 at 12:18 PM

TS

“ *I love you, Aunt Ruth. I'll never forget the many kindnesses you showed me when I was a student at Creighton, and I'll forever miss receiving letters from you. Rest In Peace.*

Tara Stonehouse - December 11, 2022 at 11:08 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Ruth Elizabeth Nielsen.*



December 10, 2022 at 10:00 AM



“ *Ruth Elizabeth Nielsen*

December 10, 2022 at 09:12 AM

SB

“ Aunt Ruth was a great person. I remember how she got stuck baby sitting us as kids when mom and dad went to Florida, on more than one occasion. That had to be sheer torture indeed. The poor lady even had to feed us too. The only savior I believe was her bowling ball and the next wed night that arrived to rescue her from our wild antics She always loved the Ford T Bird cars and she even had a few over the years. I remember jumping in them more than once and how I was mesmerized by a push button forward and reverse. So she new cool very well! Batman had nothing on my aunt when comparing cars.

I have to be honest, her homemade biscuits were just better. I had to tell my mom that on more than one occasion, but I kept the pancakes to myself. Yes there were huge. I, to this day, never knew how she flipped those monsters! They were nearly as big as the skillet they were cooked in.

And who could forget all her trips to our pool. I never seen anyone tan so dark as my aunt. She could lie in the sun all day and never burn it seemed. Who needed sun block, she was old school. Just a bottle of tanning oil and go. They just made them tougher in the good ole days I guess. Coppertone may have missed out on adding her to the bottle instead of the little kid. She will be truly missed and we wont forget all the good times.

Shane, Lori, and Bella

Shane Bruhn - December 09, 2022 at 11:32 AM

SB

“ *Shane Bruhn purchased the Be My Love Bouquet with Red Roses for the family of Ruth Elizabeth Nielsen.*



Shane Bruhn - December 09, 2022 at 10:45 AM

LC

“ *Love, Bobby and Crystal purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Ruth Elizabeth Nielsen.*



Love, Bobby and Crystal - December 08, 2022 at 05:58 PM