

Troy, KS



Mary Ruth Ruddy, 94, of Troy, Kansas passed away at the Mosaic Life Care early Thursday morning, on January 16, 2025. Mary was born on April 17, 1930, to Bruce and Opal (McKay) Herring.

Mary grew up on a farm near Sparks, Ks and graduated from Highland High School, and Highland Community College. Upon graduation, Mary taught for over 40 years in the Doniphan County School system.

She was a member of the Moray Women’s Club, active member of the Troy Christian Church, Troy Lions Club, and Troy Booster Club. As an avid supporter of KU Basketball and various local school sports, Mary was known to her family and friends as a loving and caring person, who will be greatly missed. Mary Ruth was awarded Master Teacher USD #429, for the 1988-1989 school year.

Mary married James “Jimmie” L. Ruddy on December 27, 1950, in Purcell, Kansas. He preceded her in death on October 11, 2016. She was also preceded in death by her parents, siblings, Bettie Fritch, Tom and Quentin Herring.

Survivors include, sister, Nancy Jeschke of Troy; Sisters-in-law Mary Harrell of St. Joseph, Missouri and Marilyn Ruddy of Lenexa, Kansas; and many nieces and nephews.

Funeral Service: 10:30 A.M Tuesday, January 21, 2025.

At the Troy Christian Church, Troy, Kansas.

Visitation: 5:00-7:00 P.M. Monday, January 20, 2025, at Troy Christian Church. Friends may call after 10:00 A.M. Monday, at the Harman-Rohde Funeral Home in Troy, Kansas.

Burial: Mount Olive Cemetery, Troy, Kansas.

Memorials: Troy Christian Church, Troy Grade School Activity Fund or Donor’s Choice

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