



Emogene "Sandy" Kepple

November 9, 1925 - May 15, 2019

Emogene "Sandy" (Saindon) Kepple of McKinney, Texas passed away on May 15, 2019 at the age of 93. She was born on November 9, 1925 in Beloit, Kansas, the daughter of Eugene and Margaret Saindon. After graduating from Beloit High School in 1943, she accepted a secretarial position with the Air Force at the Pentagon in Washington, D.C. for two years. Sandy then returned to Kansas to attend Washburn University in Topeka and received a teaching degree in 1948. While at Washburn, she was a member of Delta Gamma sorority; she also received the honor of being crowned the first May Day Queen. Sandy married Melvin T. Kepple, a returning veteran on November 25, 1948 in Topeka, Kansas. She taught school in Hoyt and Topeka, Kansas, and worked in both the Kansas House of Representatives and Senate for a number of years. In 1967, Sandy and Mel moved to Manhattan where she taught English Comp at Kansas State University. She worked at St. Isidore's Catholic Student Center, retiring in 1989 after 17 years. Sandy was a member of St. Thomas Moore Catholic Church where she served as a Eucharistic Minister and a Hospitality Minister. She was also active in the St. Thomas Moore Ladies Auxiliary and Manhattan Pilot Service Organization. Sandy volunteered at church, delivered meals, and helped at the Budget Shop at Seven Dolors Catholic Church.

Sandy is survived by her children, Stephen Kepple and wife, Nancy of Oglesby, Texas; Jane Lilliston and husband, Andy of McKinney, Texas, Theresa Kepple of Santa Cruz, California and Annette Baker and husband, Kris of Van Alstyne, Texas grandchildren, Melanie, Drew, Sara, Emily, Elizabeth, Zachary, Jaclyn, William, Natalie and Owen; seventeen great grandchildren; and several nieces, nephews and other loving family and friends.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Melvin T. Kepple; her parents, Eugene and Margaret Saindon; great granddaughter, Miller Lilliston; and sister, Lucille Wylie.

A Rosary Service will be held at 6:00 p.m., Saturday, May 18, 2019 at Turrentine-Jackson-Morrow Funeral Home, 2521 Central Expressway North, Allen, Texas 75013 with a short visitation to follow.

Please remember Sandy with a donation to the Delta Gamma sorority, Alpha Kappa chapter at Washburn University.

School/Chapter of Initiation: Washburn University (Alpha Kappa)

Comment: In memory of Emogene "Sandy" Saindon.

Memorials

Dear Steve, Jane, Theresa and Annette! You have my love and sympathy as you mourn the death of your mother! Sandy was one of my dearest friends while I was campus minister at St. Isidore's in Manhattan. We did so much together! I remember with fondness the times we went to Topeka to do things with your grandmother....one time the two of us decided to get our ears pierced....and Sandy encouraged us! What fun! Many times I went to Mel and Sandy's for holidays....especially New Years...watching games and enjoying good food. it's hard to believe how fast time goes! I'm so glad all of you were able to be with her in her last days. And thanks so much for the letter you sent. I will be remember her in my prayers...and all of you as well! With love and sympathy, Sister Betty

SISTER BETTY SUTHER, JUNE 2, 2019

My mother, Dee, received your kind letter and fondly remembers your mom, Emogene, from her high school days. Please accept our deepest sympathy.

DELORES CABLES MITCHELL, JUNE 1, 2019

So sorry to hear of your mother's passing. I'll always remember her putting up with us as she drove us to and from school as part of the carpool rotation and overseeing us as we played at your house. I believe she even drove us to Circle C a couple of times so we could rent horses to ride. Putting up with horse crazy kids was no small feat! Know that she and your father will be in my thoughts and prayers.

CAROLYN KABERLINE, MAY 25, 2019

I am so sorry for your loss. Sandy and Mel were very good friends of ours for years in Topeka. We had many good times together. Mel and Charlie, my husband, worked together for the State of Kansas. Sandy was a great friend.

BETTY DROVETTA, MAY 18, 2019

Steve and Nancy, Rick and I are here for you if you need anything. Please know that we are praying for Steve and you as well as your family.

RHONDA SCHENCK, MAY 17, 2019

We are so sad to hear about Sandy's passing. It is always hard to lose a loved one. However I am sure she knows (as do we) that she had left a wonderful legacy through her children, grand children and great grandchildren. We wish all her near and dear the very best and send you our heartfelt condolences.

Bonnie, Sai and Anjali

BONNIE, SAI AND ANJALI BALAKRISHNA, MAY 15, 2019

Blessings for the entire Kepple family. God has blessed each of you with many years of life with this wonderful woman. May He hold each of you in His comforting embrace. Rejoice her new life and her heavenly home with God.

YVONNE ROSE CURTIS, MAY 15, 2019

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