



Bonnie L. Otoupal

A funeral for Bonnie L. Otoupal, 65, of Balsam Canyon Drive, Cloudcroft, will be 10 a.m. Thursday at St Edward Catholic Church with Father Noel Kramer officiating. Interment will follow at Carlsbad Cemetery. A vigil will be 7 p.m. today at St. Edward Catholic Church. Mrs. Otoupal died Sunday, April 7, 2002, at Gerald Champion Regional Medical Center in Alamogordo following a long illness. West Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Bonnie Lee Otoupal was born in Hamilton County, Neb., on July 29, 1936, to Ernest William Kaeding and Hazel Irene Paben Kaeding. She was raised and educated in Hampton, Neb., graduating from Exeter High School in 1953.

Bonnie moved to York, Neb., and worked with AT&T Telephone Company as an operator for three years.

She met Stewart "Stu" J. Otoupal and they were married on June 4, 1956. They lived and worked in Nebraska, Kansas, Colorado and Wyoming before moving to Carlsbad in 1970.

Stu managed the Rasco-Tempo store, and Bonnie was a bookkeeper. They moved to Texas in 1976, where Bonnie continued working as a bookkeeper. She retired in 1999, and they moved to Cloudcroft.

Bonnie was a member of St. Edward Catholic Church of Carlsbad and Sacred Heart Church in Cloudcroft. She was a loving mom and devoted wife for 46 years.

Bonnie was preceded in death by her parents; one brother, Dale Kaeding; and one sister, Sharon Ann Kaeding, as an infant. Survivors include her husband, Stewart "Stu" J. Otoupal of the family home; sons, Douglas Otoupal and wife, Angie, of Fort Davis, Texas, and Mark Otoupal and wife, Nan Nell, of Bastrop, Texas; daughters, Sharon Dodson and husband, David, of Carlsbad, and Susan Beningo and husband, John, of Boerne, Texas; brother, Mervin Kaeding and wife, Marlene, of Denver; sisters, Jean Harre and husband, Jim, of Crete, Neb., Gladys Harre and Cheryl Rystrom and husband, Bob, of Lincoln, Neb., and Josephine Volkmer and husband, Roger, of Hastings, Neb.; and seven grandchildren.

Pallbearers are Mark Otoupal, Doug Otoupal, David Dodson, Jeff Dodson, John Beningo and Jim Harre.

Friends may call 1-6 p.m. today at West Funeral Home Chapel.

Memorial contributions may be made to American Cancer Society, 1599 Clifton Road NE, Atlanta, Ga., 30329.

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