



Bonnie Kay Goodnight

June 20, 2023

Bonnie Kay Goodnight, born December 17, 1938 in Julesberg Colorado, passed into the loving arms of Jesus surrounded by her children on June 20 in Colorado Springs. The only child born to Ruby Newlin(Sisson) and Melvin(Jack) Newlin, she attended a country school on the south table near Oshkosh, Nebraska. She graduated from Garden County High School in 1956 and received an Associates degree from A&M/Colorado State University in Fort Collins, Co. While at CSU, she pledged the Kappa Delta sorority where wonderful friends and memories were made and in 1957 was voted CSU's Homecoming Queen.

She married Mert VanNewkirk in 1959 and had two children, Shari VanNewkirk (Hall) and Scott VanNewkirk. In 1983 she married Earle (Bud) Goodnight in Fort Collins, Co.

Bonnie was a loving mother, grandmother, great grandmother, and friend. She enjoyed playing Bridge, Bunco, golf, and traveling with friends and family. A farm girl at heart having grown up on a wheat farm, was a spectacular cook and animal lover. She cherished her beloved pets, both her own and those inherited from her children. She lived her last 2 years at Liberty Heights Skilled Nursing & Rehabilitation where she made special friendships with residents and staff. They took such great care of our mother, and we are forever grateful.

Mom>Nama will live forever in our hearts and is survived by daughter Shari and son Scott (Heidi), grandchildren Jordan (Cassie) Hall, Jillian (Yeison) Sotelo, Jayce Hall, Jenson (Emma) Hall, Tanner VanNewkirk and Brynn VanNewkirk. Great grandchildren Zao, Legend, Judea, Selah and Nissi Hall (Jordan & Cassie Hall).

Bonnie's Visitation will begin at 12:00 p.m., followed by her Memorial Service at 1:00 p.m. on Thursday, June 29, 2023 at Timberline Church, South Auditorium, in Fort Collins, CO. Bright colored attire is encouraged. Bonnie's service will be livestreamed and accessed by following the link provided: <https://youtube.com/live/KBjl2LU8U78?feature=share>
She will be laid to rest in Oshkosh, NE the following day.

In lieu of flowers donations could be made to:

Animal Friends Alliance

2321 E. Mulberry St. #1 Fort Collins, CO 80524

OR

Larimer County Humane Society

3501 E. 71st Street Loveland, CO 80538

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN **29**. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (MT)

Timberline Church - Fort Collins Main Campus
2908 S Timberline Road
Fort Collins, CO 80525

Memorial Service

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Tribute Wall

SJ

“ We were sorry to read about Bonnie, she was a beautiful lady, and she will be missed by us and many more. REN & Sharon Jensen

Sharon Jensen - June 28, 2023 at 03:59 PM

JE

“ Scott and I have been close friends since junior golf. Whenever my wife Sheri and I were in Bonnie's presence she always greeted us with a huge smile and a welcome that was second to none.

Jay Ehler - June 28, 2023 at 03:14 PM

PH

“ Bonnie and I were friends for over 60 years. What a beautiful soul ! We had many fun trips together and our daughters are great friends. Our husbands were teachers at Gering High School.

Pat Hyland - June 27, 2023 at 12:25 PM

JC

“ I knew Bonnie thru visiting my cousin in Oshkosh who was in Mert's class in Elementary School. Mert & Bonnie were married the same day as my cousin. My husband, Al went to Chadron College & I worked in the Administration Building at the same time Bonnie was there & Mert was a student. We spent many times with them & other couples. When we visited our families in Scottsbluff/Gering we usually got in touch w/them. The last time I was with Bonnie was when she visited us in AZ. We had such a good time remembering "our days in Chadron" i.e. pooling our food together at end of the month before we got paid. Bonnie was such a great cook, so our meals were very good!! Bonnie was a wonderful person who was very proud of her children.

*My sincere sympathy is extended to Bonnie's family,
Judee Russell Curtis in AZ*

Judee Curtis - June 27, 2023 at 03:57 AM

GP

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Gina Payne - June 25, 2023 at 02:22 PM

JM

“ Bonnie was my Mom's best friend. Bonnie was a beautiful soul. Most recent memory is the Nothing But Bundt Cakes, 💜💜

Jill McGinley - June 24, 2023 at 07:29 PM