



Ruth Elise Bronson

September 4, 1925 - June 30, 2014

Ruth Elise (Stark) Bronson, age 88, of Glendive, Montana peacefully passed to be with our Lord on Monday, June 30, 2014 at the Glendive Medical Center Extended Care in Glendive. Visitation will be held from 6:00 P.M. until 8:00 P.M. on Tuesday, July 8, 2014 at the Silha Funeral Home in Glendive. Mass of Christian Burial will be at 10:00 A.M. on Wednesday, July 9, 2014 at the Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Glendive with Father Francis Schreiber officiating. Rite of Committal will follow in the Dawson Memorial Cemetery in Glendive. Silha Funeral Home of Glendive has been entrusted with the arrangements.

Ruth was born on September 4, 1925 in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, the daughter of Frank L. Stark and Esther Elizabeth Scott. She was raised and educated in New Orleans, Louisiana where she graduated high school with the class of 1943. In 1942, at the age of sixteen, Ruth was crowned as one of the nine court Mardi Gras Festival Queens. She was very proud of this honor. In 1948, Ruth married Francis "Rudy" Rudolph and to this union three children were born; Wayne, Linda, and Terry. In 1974, she married Charles Bronson, who preceded her in death in 1990.

Ruth was a very hard worker. She held various jobs throughout her lifetime: telephone operator for Mountain Bell; cashier at the Red Owl and Reynolds Grocery in Baker, Montana; cashier at Safeway store in Glendive; home health aide for the Dawson County Health Department; cook at the Washington in Glendive and lastly she was a cook at the Grandview

Retirement Home from which she retired at age seventy-five. But the "job" she most treasured was that of being a mother. She was the best mother any child could ever ask for and would drop everything at any given moment for her children. This pattern continued as she became a grandmother and great-grandmother.

Ruth stayed busy; she was a member of the Ladies Auxiliary VFW, Kitchen Band, Garden Club and a GMC Volunteer. Ruth loved to square dance and listen to the Indy 500 on the radio. She loved all music; especially country, gardening and she cherished her pets, both birds and dogs. After Ruth retired she loved to travel with her best friend, Lawrence Barthel. They traveled to Minot, North Dakota; Branson, Missouri; Nashville, Tennessee; Las Vegas, Nevada and even made a trip back to her hometown of New Orleans. At midnight on New Year's Eve, it was Ruth's tradition to bang her pots and pans outside her back door, just because she could.

She was preceded in death by her parents; both husbands, Charles and Rudy; one brother, Leroy; and one great-granddaughter, Courtney Dawn Young.

Ruth is survived by her three children, Wayne (Heide) Rudolph of Las Vegas, Linda (Mike) Dryden of Glendive, and Terry (Amy) Rudolph of Baker; eight grandchildren, Troy Purvis, Kola (Lance) Miller, KyAnn (Bryan) Norcutt, Kori (Trevor) Purvis, Dustin Rudolph, Taylor (Christy) Rudolph, Blake (Kaylene) Rudolph, and Sailor Ann Elise Rudolph; her two step-grandchildren, Kevin Dryden and Theresa (Francesca) Dryden; twelve great-grandchildren, Alyssa Purvis, Paxton Miller, Kiana Miller, Alex Young, Cody Young, Cassie Young, Taylor Elise Young, Carly Young, Hunter Young, Fisher Young, Hunter Bailey, and Calib Soyland; special friend, Lawrence Barthel of Glendive; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Remembrances and condolences may be shared with the family at: www.silhafuneralhomes.com.

Cemetery Details

Dawson Memorial Cemetery

2816 West Towne Street
Glendive, MT 59330

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 8. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (MT)

Silha Funeral Home
221 North Meade Avenue
Glendive, MT 59330

Mass of Christian Burial

JUL 9. 10:00 AM (MT)

Sacred Heart Catholic Church
316 West Benham Street
Glendive, MT 59330

Tribute Wall



“ *Ruth Elise Bronson*

December 07, 2022 at 04:10 PM



“ *Linda, I'm so sorry for your loss. Remember when we lived in Glendive and our daughters were due at the same time? I beat you by two weeks, I believe. Anyway, so sorry again. God bless and our prayers are with you.*

Rhonda - July 28, 2014 at 07:42 PM



“ *Cindy Greiman sent a virtual gift in memory of Ruth Elise Bronson*



Cindy Greiman - July 17, 2014 at 05:01 PM



KyAnn & family, May God comfort you in this time of need. It was an honor to care for your grandma. God Bless

Cindy Greiman - July 17, 2014 at 05:02 PM



“ *Heather Frank lit a candle in memory of Ruth Elise Bronson*



Heather Frank - July 11, 2014 at 10:31 AM

JR

“ *Boog and Family,*

We are so sorry for your loss. She was an amazing woman with a smile that lit up a room. Happy to have had the chance to meet her. We are here for you and send you lots of love, hugs, and prayers. - The Robinsons

JJ Robinson - July 07, 2014 at 08:22 AM

LM

“ *Leslie & Gene Micheletto lit a candle in memory of Ruth Elise Bronson*



Leslie & Gene Micheletto - July 04, 2014 at 08:35 AM

TP

“ *Mike Sorry to here about your Mother-in-law passing away.*

Tyler Pust - July 03, 2014 at 02:23 PM

SC

“ *Linda, so sorry to hear of your Mom's passing. May you draw strength and comfort from your faith in God. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.*

Sherry Corneliusen - July 01, 2014 at 11:44 AM

HP

“ To Wayne, Boog, Linda and Families....Please know you are all in our prayers. Your Mom was a very special person to the Purvis family and my kids grew up calling her "Grandma Ruth". She knew my laugh anywhere. She will be missed! Love and Prayers, Harry & Peggy Purvis & families.

Harry & Peggy Purvis - June 30, 2014 at 06:33 PM