



Ruth M. Bachman

February 13, 1911 - June 12, 2011

Ruth M. Bachman, 100, died at 3:05 a.m., Sunday, June 12, 2011 at Rosewood Care Center in Alton. She was born February 13, 1911 in Alton, the daughter of the late George and Julia (Rotsch) von der Ahe. On August 19, 1949 she married Henry P. Bachman and he preceded her in death on May 13, 1982. She retired after 37 years of service as a school teacher in the Alton School system. She was a member of the Illinois Retired Teachers Association, Order of the Eastern Star and a member of Evangelical United Church of Christ in Godfrey. Surviving are two Step-sons; Gerald Bachman and his wife Barbara of Des Peres, MO and Donald Bachman and his wife Marijo of St. Peters, MO., two step-grandchildren; Steve Bachman and his wife Rebekah of Amarillo, TX and Mike Bachman of St. Louis, MO. Besides her parents and husband she was preceded in death by one step grandson; Gregory Bachman. Visitation will be Wednesday, June 15, 2011 from 10:00 a.m. until time of service at 11:00 a.m. at Gent Funeral Home in Alton with Reverend Jerry McCaskey to officiate. Burial will be at Upper Alton Cemetery in Alton. Memorials may be made to Evangelical United Church of Christ.

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Tribute Wall



“ *Ruth M. Bachman*

January 28, 2023 at 10:19 AM



“ *Ruth M. Bachman*

January 28, 2023 at 08:19 AM



“ *Mrs. Bachman was the best teacher I ever had. I watched her one day in Civics class get two boys in a heated debate while she crossed her arms, stood back and just smiled. The two boys would never have had that discussion if she hadn't been such an excellent teacher--she made students think, and then care enough to express themselves. I have never forgotten that day in class. She was a wonderful person and a great teacher. I am 63 now and a teacher myself. She was an inspiration.*

Marilyn Taylor - August 05, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ *I want to express my sympathy to the family of Ruth. I have gotten to know Ruth and visited her every month with my therapy dogs. She just loved to see the dogs every month and it was such a pleasure to see her eyes light up when she knew the puppies were there. I will miss her greatly when I go for my visits. She was a wonderful woman and always had a smile on her face.*

She will be greatly missed!

Pattie Gibbs - June 23, 2011 at 12:00 AM

CB

“ With loving thoughts of my godmother, Ruth Bachman. I remember her visits on my birthdays when I was a child. I remember the day when she married Henry and my sister and I had to stay on the porch, per our mother's orders! I remember her as my teacher in civics class and how special it was to be under her instruction. I remember taking rides with my mother and grandmother to visit Ruth and her parents on Washington Avenue before she was married and later out to the farm. All these times and more gave me very fond memories of a lovely lady.

Carol Johnson Boulris - June 16, 2011 at 12:00 AM

VH

“ To the family of Ruth Bachman,

Yes, I recall my high school civics class with Ruth. More importantly, I remember Ruth and Henry as being close friends of my parents, Cecil and Nadine Harden.

In recent years, Ruth made several trips to see Nadine in Myrtle Beach. I fondly recall taking them to the local air show on one very warm day to see the Thunderbirds perform.

Nadine still reminisces about the cruise she and Ruth took to Alaska's Denali National Park via the Panama Canal, followed by a rail trip through the Canadian Rockies.

And, when I last took Nadine back to Alton a few years ago, the first item on her agenda was to arrange a visit with Ruth.

Unfortunately, Nadine has been in rapidly failing health during the past year, is now experiencing late-stage Alzheimer's disease, and is under hospice care in my home.

I know she treasured her friendship with Ruth and Henry and she would want me to send her condolences, along with mine, to all of you. Ruth and Henry were both very special people who had a special friendship with my family. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your families.

*Van Harden
Surfside Beach, SC*

Van Harden - June 15, 2011 at 12:00 AM

LC

“ How sorry we were to hear about Ruth. My dog, Riley and I are members of a local therapy dog group that visited Rosewood twice a month. Ruth was one of our "VERY FAVORITES". She always said she "loved the doggies" with the most honest and beautiful smiles I've ever seen. She will be terribly missed by all who knew her. What a gentle soul. Riley, my Golden Retriever loved for Ruth to rub his head. God Bless you all and know that you had someone very special in your life. I know our group feels the same way. Take care.

Leah Cooper - June 14, 2011 at 12:00 AM