



## Alice Marie Thompson

September 25, 1944 - September 11, 2023

Funeral services for ALICE MARIE THOMPSON, 78, will be held at 10am Tuesday, September 19, 2023 at the Torrington United Methodist Church with Reverend Jeff Wayland officiating. Burial will follow in the Valley View Cemetery. Alice an educator of over four generations of children died on September 12, 2023 at Granite Rehabilitation in Cheyenne, Wyoming. Visitation will be Monday at the funeral home from 3pm to 5pm and the casket will be open briefly prior to the service at the church. Arrangements are by the Colyer Funeral Home and condolences may be sent to [www.colyerfuneralhome.com](http://www.colyerfuneralhome.com).

Alice was born in Thermopolis, Wyoming on September 25, 1944. She was the second daughter of a butcher turned flower shop owner and still kept in contact with her childhood friends. She and her sisters would play Kick-the-Can, Hide and Seek, ride bikes and swim in the mineral pools until dark. During her school years Alice was in band, cheerleading, the homecoming queen, and the Job's Daughters Honored Queen. She attended Chadron State College in Nebraska where she met Warren Thompson. They married and both graduated with teaching degrees and had a daughter Kristy. She was also Homecoming Queen at Chadron State College. Alice began her love of teaching at a young age and started her forty-six-year teaching career in a one room schoolhouse in Nebraska. She later accepted a teaching job in Torrington, Wyoming at Goshen County School District where she taught first

grade for forty-five years impacting many young lives. She was known as the teacher who could teach anyone to read, and her co-workers described her as enthusiastic, exciting, creative and kind. She also taught for the Migrant Program every summer in Torrington. Besides educating her school children, Alice spent the rest of her time with her three grandchildren Quinne, Beau, and Baylee, and raised her great granddaughter, Avyanna until the age of thirteen. She and her daughter Kristy enjoyed shopping and going out for lunch. Alice loved the beach, digging up sand dollars, and spent every summer in Hilton Head, South Carolina with her sisters Janet and Florence.

Alice is survived by her daughter Kristy Thompson-King of Cheyenne, Wyoming; sister and brother-in-law Janet and Kenny Schaffer of Sioux Falls, South Dakota and sister Florence Deterding of Fairfax, Virginia; brother-in-law Bill Deterding of Bradenton, Florida; grandchildren Quinne King-Yetter of Cheyenne, Beau King of Casper, Wyoming, and Baylee King of Cheyenne; great grandchildren Avyanna Martinez and Zayne Yetter both of Cheyenne; and many nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents Stanley and Mary Eleanor Hopcus.

# Cemetery Details

## Valley View Cemetery

30th Avenue  
Torrington, WY 82240

# Previous Events

## Visitation

SEP **18**. 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM (MT)

Colyer Funeral Home  
PO Box 20 / 2935 Main  
Torrington, WY 82240  
(307) 532-2320  
colyerfuneralhome@gmail.com

## Funeral Service

SEP **19**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (MT)

Torrington United Methodist Church  
2702 Main St  
Torrington, WY 82240-1928  
(307) 532-2977

# Tribute Wall

DH

“ *Your mom was not only my teacher growing up. But also my son's teacher too. She will be missed by all. I have great memories growing up with your family. And you all coming to our house. Heaven is getting a great Teacher*

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**Douglas Heyl** - September 19, 2023 at 03:39 AM

VT

“ *My condolences to the family. Miss Thompson was my first grade teacher...a long time ago. So very sad to read this today.*

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**Vickie Sue Johnston Tannous** - September 17, 2023 at 09:28 PM



“ *A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Alice Marie Thompson.*

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September 15, 2023 at 06:19 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Alice Marie Thompson.*



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September 15, 2023 at 06:19 PM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Alice Marie Thompson.* ”



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September 15, 2023 at 05:05 PM



“ *Judy Krug lit a candle in memory of Alice Thompson* ”



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**Judy Krug** - September 15, 2023 at 01:25 PM



“ *Loved working with Alice at Lincoln and our boys enjoyed having her for their first grade teacher.* ”



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**Patrice Heyl** - September 15, 2023 at 02:22 AM



“ *R Baros lit a candle in memory of Alice Thompson* ”



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**R Baros** - September 15, 2023 at 12:09 AM

LM

“ *Liz Soraya Moore lit a candle in memory of Alice Thompson*



**Liz & Soraya Moore** - September 14, 2023 at 02:24 PM

CN

“ *Carolyn Royce Nelson lit a candle in memory of Alice Thompson*



**Carolyn & Royce Nelson** - September 14, 2023 at 01:32 PM

LK

“ *Lisa ( kelly) lit a candle in memory of Alice Thompson*



**Lisa Lawrence ( kelly)** - September 14, 2023 at 01:00 PM

SH

“ *Sharon Hackett lit a candle in memory of Alice Thompson*



**Sharon L Hackett** - September 14, 2023 at 12:46 PM

KE

“ Alice was a friend and colleague during our 54 years living in Torrington. She taught all of our boys and I (Karin) had the privilege of attending many different educational conferences with her. In later years I enjoyed her presence in our church family. Teaching children was her passion and especially giving her grandchildren life long skills. Howard & Karin send our sincere condolences to all her family.



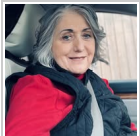
Karin Eisenhauer - September 14, 2023 at 10:45 AM

SD

“ Sue Davis lit a candle in memory of Alice Thompson



Sue Moore Davis - September 14, 2023 at 10:29 AM



“ Oh how I loved this lady. Sending prayers to Kristy and family.

Mindy Petersen - September 14, 2023 at 10:04 AM

BS

“ Alice was a great teacher and a good friend. She touched so many lives. RIP

Bobbi Stuck - September 14, 2023 at 09:31 AM

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“ *Espiridion (Pete) Elizondo lit a candle in memory of Alice Thompson*



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**Espiridion (Pete) Elizondo** - September 14, 2023 at 12:53 AM

MM

“ *Alice was a wonderful teacher, she always helped the kids that were struggling. Alice understood kids*

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**Merrijane Morgheim** - September 13, 2023 at 10:29 PM