



Mary Atkins

December 11, 1926 - February 1, 2010

TORRINGTON, WY . . . Memorial services for MARY LOU ATKINS, 83, will be held at 1:30pm on Friday, February 12, 2010 at the Torrington United Methodist Church with the Reverend Ora Dailey officiating. Private family burial will be held at another time. Mary Lou died on February 1, 2010 at the Heritage Estates in Gering, Nebraska. Cremation has taken place. Those who wish may direct memorial contributions to either the EWC Foundation, or to the Methodist Church or to P.E.O. Program for Continuing Education. Funeral arrangements are under the direction of the Colyer Funeral Home and friends are invited to send condolences to the family at www.colyerfuneralhome.com Mary Lou was born on December 11, 1926 at York, Nebraska the daughter of Franklin and Blanche (Wilkins) Mosley. The family moved to Sargent, Nebraska where Mary Lou received her education and graduated from high school. She went on to attend Hastings College at Hastings, Nebraska. Mary Lou then moved to Broken Bow, Nebraska where she worked at a bank. Her employment introduced her to another young banker in town. She married Les Atkins at Scottsbluff, Nebraska on March 5, 1950 and the couple lived in Gering, Nebraska until 1961 when they moved to Torrington. Once settled in Torrington, Mary Lou began teaching Calligraphy at Eastern Wyoming College where she taught for over 20 years. Mary Lou was a member of the United Methodist Church, P.E.O. Chapter M at Torrington where she was initiated in 1967 and served as State President from 1979 to 1980. She also served on the EWC Foundation Board and the Community Hospital Auxiliary. Mary Lou

was one of the founders of the "Special Touch" Program at Community Hospital. Active in many other organizations, Mary Lou was always a mindful contributor to her community. Mary Lou enjoyed reading and golf; playing bridge and she liked to travel. She was an avid fan of the Denver Nuggets , the Rockies, and Broncos. She is survived by her daughter, Janice (Les Neva) Atkins-Neva of Eagle, Idaho; grandchildren, David and April; granddaughter, Leslie (Alan) Boomer of Hall, Montana; great grandchildren Ashley and Alex; granddaughter Lisa (Duane Lee) Smith of Yoder, Wyoming; great grandchildren Tyler, Tomas, Caden and Zachary; granddaughter Jessica (Bob) Gladson; great grandchildren Jackson, Emily, Wyatt, Hunter, and KayDee; a brother Robert Mosley of Des Moines, Iowa; and several nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, Les; a daughter, Kathy; two sisters, Ella May Dunbar and Jean Clark; a brother Ernest Mosley and an infant brother Harold Mosley.

Tribute Wall

PC

“ *Janice and Les...
Mary Lou was a very giving person.
We know that she will be sadly missed
by her Family, Friends, and the whole
Community.
Our deepest Sympathy to you.*

Paul & Jeannette Covello - February 01, 2010 at 12:00 AM

KG

“ *We are so sorry for the loss of Mary Lou, she was such a vibrant
person and
she will be a great loss to her community and especially her
leadership
in P.E.O. We wish we could have met her sooner in life, also Janice
we are
still trying to contact Jim Mosley, no one seems to have his new
phone number.
God Bless you all.*

Keith & Carolyn Gentzler - February 01, 2010 at 12:00 AM

CW

“ *We are sorry to think of your loss. We hope that her passing was
easy and you are able to cope with the loss.*

Charlotte and Kay Wiand - February 01, 2010 at 12:00 AM

CB

“ Chuck and I are so very sorry we will not be able to attend Mary Lou's service, as we will be in Arizona for University of Wy business. Mary Lou will certainly be missed, as we enjoyed her company on a trip to Alaska and in our home for Thanksgiving. We were hoping to plan another trip with her. She was a very intelligent lady and offered so much to the P.E.O. Sisterhood. We send our sincere sympathy to Janice and family!

Chuck and Katie Brown - February 01, 2010 at 12:00 AM

DS

“ I want to express my condolences to the entire family with deepest respect for the lasting and powerful impact Mary Lou had on her community. Although I did not know Mary Lou on a personal basis, I had the opportunity to see firsthand how very generous and thoughtful she was toward the many entities that serve the people of Goshen County. Her kindness extended far and wide and improved the lives of many people in this area. Mary Lou left a legacy of caring and compassion. She will be greatly missed.

Diona Savoy-McDaniels - February 01, 2010 at 12:00 AM

CC

“ Mary Lou was a great neighbor and long time acquaintance of our family. She always had a smile on her face and a wonderful attitude. She will be missed in our community!

Cactus and Jeri Covello - February 01, 2010 at 12:00 AM

TK

“ Chuck, TC and I would like to send our condolences to the family of Mary Lou. She was very special to us. She was always very kind to each one of us. She will be greatly missed! The Kenyons

Tammy Kenyon - February 01, 2010 at 12:00 AM

KR

“ *Mary Lou was a wonderful friend to me and my family. I am forever grateful for her friendship. May God bless your family in this difficult time.*

Kendal Richards - February 01, 2010 at 12:00 AM