



## Sally Vanderpoel

January 9, 1921 - February 1, 2010

TORRINGTON, WYO . . . Memorial services for SALLY ROUSE VANDERPOEL, 89, will be held on Friday, February 5, 2010 at 1:30pm at All Saints Episcopal Church in Torrington, Wyoming with Reverend Mary Jellison officiating. Private family burial will be held at a later date. Sally died on February 1, 2010 at the Davis Hospice Center in Cheyenne, Wyoming and cremation has taken place. In lieu of flowers, the family would request that donations be directed in Sally's memory to the Torrington Learning Center c/o All Saints Altar Guild, 2625 Main Street, Torrington, WY 82240. 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](http://www.colyerfuneralhome.com) The family would also enjoy any anecdotes and/or stories about Sally and how she touched people's lives to be sent to [mawolfe@netcommander.com](mailto:mawolfe@netcommander.com) Sally was born at Omaha, NE on January 9, 1921, the only child of Philip Lambert and Helen (Houston) Rouse. Her parents homesteaded near Huntley, WY in March 1922. She attended school at Huntley and then graduated from Torrington High School in 1938. She went on to graduate from the University of Wyoming in 1942 with a degree in Home Economics-Nutrition. She was a member of Kappa Kappa Gamma social fraternity, Theta Alpha Phi, drama honorary, Phi Upsilon Omicron, Home Economics honorary which she served as president. She was a SPUR as a sophomore. She was honorary Cadet Colonel for the University ROTC. In her sophomore year she was chosen as the University's "most beautiful" by Earl Carroll, a Hollywood

personality. She married Joe J. Keeline, Jr. in 1942 and was later divorced. She married Wayne G. Vanderpoel in June 1949 at Torrington. She taught Home Economics in Wheatland 1946-1948 and Torrington High School 1948-1950 and at Huntley High School 1967-69. She also taught a nutrition class at Eastern Wyoming College several semesters. Sally was a volunteer in many activities; including the founding boards of Diversified Services and the Senior Friendship Center, the Platte Valley Association for Retarded Citizens were among her major accomplishments. She was named chairman of Goshen County's Bicentennial celebration by the county commissioners in 1973 and part of that committee's accomplishment was the creation of the Homesteaders Museum, the preservation of the Midway One Room School and a number of separate celebrations over three years. She was a member of Chapter M and Chapter AK P.E.O. Sisterhood, serving in all offices of each chapter and as Wyoming state president of the P.E.O. Sisterhood in 1964. She was the president of the Wyoming Federation of Republican Women, and the Wyoming State Historical Society. She was a former chairman of the Goshen County Republican Central Committee, a precinct committee woman, County secretary and state committee woman. She served as one of three 1994 electors for the State of Wyoming, voting for Ronald Reagan's second term as President. She was an original member of the Governor's Council for Developmental Disabilities, she served nine years on the board of Protection and Advocacy for Developmentally Disabled including chairman of that board. She served twelve years on the board of Goshen County Public Assistance. She was a member of All Saints' church, active in Episcopal Church Women and the Altar Guild and a member of the Vestry, including the office of Senior Warden and as a Lector. She was editor of the church newsletter for many years. Sally was a "stringer" for the Casper Star Tribune for three years. She was the author of "THE CARE AND FEEDING OF YOUR DIABETIC CHILD" published by Frederick Fell, NY in 1968 with a second expanded edition in 1973. She was the author of WRINKLEBELLY a memoir about her parents' homesteading of the family farm near Huntley, in 1999, STAN HATHAWAY, A

Biography in 2003, S'MORE OF IT, a collection of short personal memoirs in 2006 and in 2009 a cookbook called, SALLY'S COOKBOOK. She is survived by daughter Gay Vanderpoel Woodhouse of Cheyenne, Wyoming; 5 grandchildren; Melanie Wolfe, Elizabeth Yaden, Sarah Vanderpoel, Dustin Woodhouse and Houston Woodhouse; and 4 great grandchildren Kieser Corbin Wolfe, Griffin Teague Wolfe, Briella Renee Wolfe and Makenzie Elizabeth Woodhouse. Her husband, Wayne Vanderpoel preceded her in death in December, 2008 as did her daughter, Sally Jo Keeline Cashner in January, 2000 and son, Philip Rouse Vanderpoel in November, 2002.

# Tribute Wall

RB

“ *Sally was quite a woman! She was such a leader and forward-moving person and we enjoyed her both at church and with the Republic Party while we lived in Torrington. It really is the end of an era with both she and Wayne gone. Our condolences to all the family.*

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**Roy and Jo Butler** - February 01, 2010 at 12:00 AM

MM

“ *My parents (George and Margo) were friends of Sally's. I can fondly remember hearing her name in our home. I have always admired her accomplishments and looked up to her as a leader and powerful role model for women in our community. She will be missed and remembered for so many things. I am proud to have known her, and so happy that my daughter was able to meet her several times.*

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**Megan (Nash) Mitchell** - February 01, 2010 at 12:00 AM

MK

“ *Gay and family,  
She was a corker and a true joy to know all my life.  
Thinking of you and your family.  
love  
margy*

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**Margy Karpf** - February 01, 2010 at 12:00 AM

CD

“ We will surely miss Sally a lot. She was an unforgettable character. I remember her pointing out that the figure in little window donated by her family over the altar @ All Saint's appeared to have her father's cigarette in the figure's hand. I have often thought of that as I have gathered around the altar for communion. God Bless her. I know she is happy in heaven.  
Cal and Celeste

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**Celeste and Cal Dahl** - February 01, 2010 at 12:00 AM

JN

“ Sally was a very strong person who spoke up for what she believed was right. She earned my respect as a leader and was a positive role model. She had many accomplishments; her family should be very proud of the footprints she left behind. My thoughts are with them at this time.

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**Jeni Nowak** - February 01, 2010 at 12:00 AM

RH

“ Dear Family, So sorry to hear about your mom. We have visited periodically over the years at Evergreen and the hospital as Sally and Lois were on their final journey together. Had many lunches with your mom. What a delight she always was. We will keep you in our thoughts and prayers as you send her off to her final Great Home with the Lord!!!!

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**Roger and Darla Hunter** - February 01, 2010 at 12:00 AM

DF

“ Our deepest condolences ,,and sympathies,,

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**Donald Woodhouse & family** - February 01, 2010 at 12:00 AM