



Katherine Steele

November 1, 1926 - September 30, 2013

Katherine Alexandria Steele, 86, of Maple Grove, Minnesota, passed away Monday September 30, 2013 at North Memorial Hospital after a serious fall in her home on Wednesday.

Visitation will be held at Rogers Funeral Home in Henryetta, Oklahoma on Thursday, October 3 from 12:00 to 6:00pm and a wake that evening at the Rogers Funeral Home Chapel.

Funeral service will be held at St. Michael's Catholic Church, Henryetta, Oklahoma, on Friday, October 4, 2013 at 2:00 pm. Burial will follow at the Westlawn Cemetery. Rogers Funeral Home is handling the funeral arrangements.

Katherine was born in Henryetta, Oklahoma to Pete and Alexandria Yarmoski on November 1, 1926. She attended St. Michael's Catholic School. After graduation in 1944, Katherine worked in the front office at PPG Industries for 15 years. She married Bob in June of 1955 and they lived in Henryetta until 1975 when Bob was transferred to Marshall, MN, where he continued to work for PPG. Katherine was very active in the church at St. Michaels. She was Parish Secretary for many years, involved with the Ladies Auxiliary and sang at many funerals with her childhood friend, Virginia Crawford. Katherine was also always involved with her children. That was her career and she did it with grace, tenderness and endless love. Her children and grandchildren were a joy to her and she loved them with her whole heart. All of her children's friends remember Katherine has always having an open door and welcomed them into her home. Although we mourn the loss of our beloved Mother, we are comforted in knowing that she is at peace and at rest in her eternal home.

Katherine was preceded in death by her parents, Pete and Alexandria Yarmoski, her husband Robert and a brother Frank.

Katherine is survived by her son Mark (Kathy) Steele, grandchildren Kelly, Kate Friedl (Ryan), and Paul all of Broken Arrow, OK; son Rick (Brenda) of Kingwood, Texas; son Scott (Anne), grandson Aaron of Sioux Falls, SD; and daughter Robin (Dave) Dreyer, grandchildren Lindsay and Kyle of Maple Grove, MN.

Cemetery Details

Westlawn Cemetery

2800 West Main
Henryetta, OK 74437

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT 3. 12:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Rogers Funeral Home
1302 West Main Street
Henryetta, OK 74437
(918) 650-9090
rogersfh@aol.com
<https://www.rogersfuneralhomeinc.com>

Service

OCT 4. 2:00 PM (CT)

St Michael's Catholic Church
1004 W Gentry
Henryetta, OK 74437

Tribute Wall



“ Rogers Funeral home created a Tribute Video in memory of Katherine Steele



Rogers Funeral Home - September 30, 2013 at 12:00 AM

JB

“ Joseph Bell purchased the Serenity Wreath for the family of Katherine Steele.



Joseph Bell - October 02, 2013 at 08:17 PM

PD

“ Paul and Patricia Davis purchased the Sweet Sincerity for the family of Katherine Steele.



Paul and Patricia Davis - October 02, 2013 at 04:12 PM

JS

“ Dear Robin and family:

It is with such a heavy heart that I write this, yet know that your mom is in the best hands - it is those left behind that are hurting. I will never forget her sweet Oklahoma accent, her Southern charm, her delicate laugh and her dedicated love for her family.

I treasure the memories of your Mom and Dad whenever I drive past a Godfathers or Pizza Hut and smile remembering the "spirited discussions" of which pizza we would have that night. I remember lunch at your house - always with sandwiches and chips and your mom at the kitchen table. I still have to smile when I run past your old house in Marshall - wonderful memories! I remember your mom slugging your laundry basket full of neatly folded laundry back to our dorm room, and slipping you \$20 dollars . . . sometimes right after your dad had slipped you \$20 dollars! I remember your mom's soft whispers and her finger to her lips if we walked in the house when your dad was sleeping.

Your mom was the closest thing to a "second mom" that I ever had. Thank you for sharing her with me. She will always be a part of who we are. Her sweet laughter, her warm heart, and her amazing thoughtfulness are gifts of love that are ours to keep.

Keeping you and your family close in thoughts and prayers . . . Hugs!

Jody DeBruyckere Schuman

Jody Schuman - October 02, 2013 at 07:59 AM

BM

“ Brenda And Mike lit a candle in memory of Katherine Steele



Brenda and Mike - October 01, 2013 at 02:13 PM



“ Sweet Liberty was purchased for the family of Katherine Steele.



October 01, 2013 at 02:12 PM

SL

“ *Stacey And Eric Lasselle lit a candle in memory of Katherine Steele*



Stacey and Eric Lasselle - October 01, 2013 at 09:56 AM

JK

“ *Dear Robin and family,*

As I reflect on my years in Marshall and SSU, I can't help but remember the endless hours we spent at your folk's home. Their home was always a safe have to retreat to and we were welcomed at anytime. Whether we were digging into one of your mom's fabulous southern cooked, homemade meals, or climbing into a clean, comfortable bed, your mom was there with a smile and a hug.

Your folks were some of our most loyal fans at the SSU tennis courts. Despite the bitter cold or trademark wind, they were there to support and encourage. We may have exasperated Bob a few times with our playing, but dear Katherine remained a lady...showering us with optimism and remaining positive. She was a mom who gave so very much, not only to her own children, but to those of us who adopted her as our own, especially when we were homesick or needed a mom.

Even after you moved to the Twin Cities, we would find ourselves headed back to Marshall for a tennis tourney or for Homecoming. Without hesitation, she would welcome us in, glad to have us "home" and anxious to get caught up on our lives. But through the years, her beauty, both inside and out, never faded. She wore a flawless complexion and hair that was always in place. She was always dressed her best and with style. But it was her heart that was the most flawless. I never remember her raising her voice or finger, even when she had the right to. She was graceful in words and action, and we felt accepted and loved unconditionally. Thank you for sharing your lovely mother, father, family and home with me over the years. They were some of the most sweetest, joyful and best years of my life. I treasure each memory made and remembered... and know that you will spend the days ahead remembering, laughing, crying and smiling, as you remember your own. May your time in Oklahoma be sweet...as you bring mom home and lay her to rest with dad. I can hear Bob now..."it's about time you got here, Katherine!" Sending much love and prayers to you all. May God's love and strength carry you and guide you....

Jamie Horswell Kidder

Jamie Horswell Kidder - September 30, 2013 at 10:29 PM

RW

“ *Roger & Hazel Wilson lit a candle in memory of Katherine Steele*



Roger & Hazel Wilson - September 30, 2013 at 04:53 PM

RC

“ *Randy, Rhonda & Brandon Chrysler lit a candle in memory of Katherine Steele*



Randy, Rhonda & Brandon Chrysler - September 30, 2013 at 04:50 PM