



Leila M. Keim

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Miss Leila M. Keim, 81 of Fayetteville, AR passed away Tuesday, March 9, 2004 in Fayetteville, AR. She was born October 11, 1922, the daughter of Marvin and Esther (Grantham) Keim on the family farm north of Sabetha, KS.

Upon her graduation from Sabetha High School, she entered nurses training at the St. Anthony Hospital in Sabetha. After receiving her Nurse's Cap, she entered the U.S. Army as an officer and served in Japan during World War II.

After returning to the states, she attended Marymount College in Salina, KS and graduated in 1953.

Miss Keim then moved to Fayetteville, AR where she was a devoted nurse at the Veteran's Administration Hospital for more than 30 years.

Upon her retirement in 1982, she continued to make Fayetteville her home where she resided for more than 50 years.

Among her many friends and co-workers, Janet McCumpsey and Mary Paxson deserve special recognition for enabling Miss Keim to continue to live independently.

Cousins, Mary and Richard Rieger of Hiawatha, KS, Lennis and Thomas Smith of Versailles, KY, and Janice and Larry Warner of Salina, KS have come to know the love her friends shared with Leila during her recent hospitalization.

Visitation will be Wednesday, March 10, 2004 from noon until 5:00 PM at Nelson-Berna Funeral Home in Fayetteville.

Funeral services will be 2:00 PM Thursday, March 11, 2004 in Nelson-Berna Funeral Home Chapel with Chaplain Richard Hyde officiating. Graveside burial services will be held 2:00 PM



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Friday, March 12, 2004 in Sabetha Cemetery in Sabetha, KS.

Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society or to research for Parkinson's Disease

Visitation Date Time Wednesday, March 10, 2004 Noon until 5:00 PM Visitation Location
Nelson-Berna Funeral Home Service Date Time Thursday, March 11, 2004 2:00 PM Service
Location Nelson-Berna Funeral Home Chapel



Tribute Wall

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JF

John P & Reba J Lamp (Friends) posted:

We will remember Leila as a friend and think of her often. We know she's in a better place now and that we'll see her again.

August 30 at 10:02 AM

MC

Mary & Kristi Ralston (Cousin) posted:

Leila and I were good friends while I worked at VA while my husband was in college. She was always so sweet and kind and helpful.

August 30 at 10:02 AM

JC

Jo Ann Keim Beyer (1St Cousin) posted:

Sorry to hear of Leila's death. I was always so proud of her and the way she dedicated her life to others. I will beat Sabetha at the grave side service.

August 30 at 10:02 AM

AA

Arthur L. Duell M.D. (Physician Associate) posted:

Both Miss Keim and I are Kansans and both of us served in WWII, she as a nurse in Japan and I as a medical lab technician in the Mediterranean Theater. We both worked together on the same ward at the V.A Hospital until retirement. Mss Keim was a reliable, perceptive nurse who empathized with her patients and who understood the personalities and families of her co-workers. I met her many times at the local grocery store after retirement and found her always happy, and optimistic. She was the kind of person who is always remembered. Signed: Arthur L. Duell, M.D.

August 30 at 10:02 AM

JF

Joann Alsafar (Friend) posted:

Leila and I were very close. We talked every few days. I came to know Leila when moving to Fayetteville and she was our neighbor. She helped me alot. She in her way took on my family as her own. She was very loving and close to my daughter(Janina) and son (Kayri). She was loved by all of us. We will always remember her. Our thoughts go out to all of the family. I am homebound and will not be able to come to the funeral.

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JF

Janina Alsafar Caudle (Friend) posted:

When I was a little girl she helped to raise me. She was my next door neighbor and I spent every minute I could with her. I had never met anyone at that time like her and that had done so much and been so many places. I also shared her love of dogs and of all animals. I really loved her. She will always be in my heart as well as my mother and my brothers.

August 30 at 10:02 AM

JF

James Calvin Moore (Friend) posted:

It was a pleasure working with Ms. Keim for over 30 years at the Veterans Administration Hospital. She was a wonderful nurse and friend to all.

August 30 at 10:02 AM

AA

Annette Demaris (Area Agency On Aging) posted:

It was a pleasure working with Ms. Keim.Thanks

August 30 at 10:02 AM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Leila by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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