



Rosemary M. Metzler

July 18, 1928 - February 15, 2017

Rosemary was preceded in death by her parents Gus Metzler and Mary Lucas Metzler and a brother Gordon. She is survived by her brother Robert.

Rosemary was born and raised on a ranch in Douglas County and her Colorado lineage can be traced back to pioneer times.

After graduating from Denver University she began teaching in the Douglas County school district before spending a year teaching at the American School in Izmir Turkey and a summer in Sierra Leone. When she returned she taught for 33 years at Douglas County High School in the English department. She was the Department Chair for many of those years. She was selected to study at Oxford to become a specialist in Shakespeare and British Literature.

Rosemary was recognized by many organizations for her outstanding contributions in the field of education. The Teach Corps recognized her for helping other teachers in Sierra Leone pass part of their Oxford exams. The National Council of Teachers of English, The 4th and 6th Annual Shakespeare Festival, and she was listed in the Who's Who in American Education. She was also acknowledged for her service to the Catholic Church during World Youth Day 1993.

Rosemary was a cattle rancher and a great supporter of Douglas County 4H, the Douglas County Fair, and the Douglas Public Library District. She also served as a docent for Opera Colorado.

Rosemary created wonderful friendships that have lasted a lifetime. Her impact on her students will be felt for generations to come. You always knew where you stood with Rosemary. She never pulled any punches and you always knew what her opinion was. She had a wicked sense of humor that will be missed by everyone who knew her.

She loved small dogs, travel, Shakespeare, good books, and was a member of several book clubs, classical music, going to the opera, and the theatre. She was a member of the Sweet Adaline's singing group here in Castle Rock.

Rosemary authored a series of acclaimed children's books called Snooty the Fox. The adventure series featuring Snooty the Fox, the snootiest, snootiest, fox from Foxville, England.

As her health deteriorated, she spent her final years in assisted living at Lincoln Meadows

and at Stonegate nursing care both in Parker, CO.

In lieu of flowers please make a donation to the St. Francis of Assisi Outdoor Stations of the Cross Fund 2746 5th St., Castle Rock, CO 80104, or the charity of your choice.

Comments



“ I had Ms Metzler for English at DCHS and she by far was one of my favorite teachers. She instilled in me an appreciation for Shakespeare and always treated me with kindness and patience. My sincerest sympathy to the family.
Wendy Harrison (class of 69)



Wendy Harrison - February 22, 2017 at 05:37 PM



“ With LOVE & Sympathy, Rich & Joni Fell and family purchased the Love's Embrace Roses – Purple for the family of Rosemary M. Metzler.



With LOVE & Sympathy, Rich & Joni Fell and family - February 21, 2017 at 02:23 PM



“ I have alot of good memories of getting to sing & enjoy Barbersop Harmony with her as she was a member of our Sweet Adeline Chapter known as The Columbine Chapter in Castle Rock! Always had a smile on her face! She will be missed!
Marilyn Bitterman and family

Marilyn Bitterman - February 20, 2017 at 10:14 PM



“ Her teaching and friendship shaped my life in ways she never knew -- but I hope she suspected. She encouraged me not only to do my best, but to be my best. She was far and away the most influential teacher I ever had. Rest in peace and rise in glory!

Kristine Johnson - February 20, 2017 at 08:41 AM



“ Ed and Sue Hier, Bob and Molly Hier purchased the Dish Garden with Fresh Cut Flowers for the family of Rosemary M. Metzler.



Ed and Sue Hier, Bob and Molly Hier - February 18, 2017 at 05:31 PM



“ Ms. Metzler was a true original. Thank you for giving me the gift of writing, a passion for proper grammar and the ability to question the deeper meaning of everything I read. You were special and you will be missed.

Carol Fournier Crittendon - February 16, 2017 at 09:41 PM