



Ruby Jean Rod

December 12, 1927 - June 12, 2017

Ruby Jean Rod, 89, was born the second of three children to Arthur E. and Ella (Vackar) Priesmeyer on December 12, 1927 in El Campo, Texas. Ruby Jean was a loving wife to Andrew Rod for 66 years, and to this union 9 children were born. She was called home to be with our Lord on June 12, 2017.

Ruby Jean was a graduate of El Campo High School. She furthered her education by attending and receiving certification from Gulf Coast Business School, and before she married was employed by First National Bank in Houston, and Brown & Root. After marrying Andrew in 1950, Ruby Jean continued her bookkeeping skills when they owned the Pierce Grocery Store in Pierce, Texas, and Rod Farms in their farming business, and Beefmaster cattle breeding.

Ruby Jean was a Wharton County 4-H leader for the Pierce 4-H Club for more than 30 years. She was an excellent seamstress, designed the majority of her own clothing, and shared her love of the skill with her daughters and daughter-in-laws. Ruby Jean also taught countless 4-Hers how to sew, cook, and craft, along with guiding them in their own individual interests. She would later design square dance dresses for herself when she and Andrew began square dancing. They were members of El Campo Cotton Squares from 1987 until 2014. Ruby Jean also had a love for polka, waltzing and country and

western dancing while she was growing up and throughout her marriage to Andrew. She also loved swimming, golfing, and fishing.

One of Ruby Jean's most admired virtues was her "extraordinary energy." The lady exemplified the quality of hard work, approaching everything she did with vibrance, the end result being perfection. However, she put just as much energy into planning fun events and trips with Andrew, her children, and her friends.

Anyone who knew Ruby Jean heard of her love for Dollie, her German Shepherd, and her miniature donkeys that she and Andrew bred and raised. She also had a passion for deer hunting and did so until the winter of 2016 at the age of 89. Ruby Jean loved the outdoors and was happiest in her flower or vegetable gardens. She enjoyed baking kolaches and cream cheese rolls, canning, and was an amazing cook. Ruby Jean enjoyed putting together puzzles with her family. However, none of these interests surpassed the pride and love she had for her 30 grandchildren and 28 great-grandchildren.

Ruby Jean was preceded in death by her parents and her younger brother Clarence Priesmeyer. She is survived by her husband, Andrew, her brother and sister-in-law, Arthur A. and Grace Priesmeyer, her sister-in-law, Bettie Konvicka all of El Campo, her children and their spouses, Glen and Kathy Rod, Wanda and Anthony Dorotik, Janel and Mark English all of El Campo, Audrey and William Carl Hansen of Palacios, Stanley and Dobie Rod of El Campo, Barbara and Grant Dickey of Huntsville, Jeanne and Jack Bueltel of Rockport, Lois and Curtis Dickey of Caddo Mills, and Vanessa Rod of El Campo. Ruby Jean also loved dearly her honorary daughter, Nancy Jean Taylor Matteson of Bellaire.

Ruby Jean is also survived by her grandchildren, Shannon Jedlicka, Andrea Worthing, Melissa Lukefahr, Emily Kubicek, Craig Dorotik, Jeanine Stehling,

Curtis Dorotik, Chad Dorotik, Percy English, Casey Shelley, Hailey Mica, Stephanie Hansen, Kristina Hansen, William Hansen Jr., Cullen Pickett, Andrew Ben Rod, Lauren Rod, Madeline Rod, Ella Rod, Bay Dickey, Wyatt Dickey, Dean Dickey, John David Bueltel, Gale Bueltel, Hannah Bueltel, Kristen Dickey, Kody Burns, Brooke Cornett, Courtney Dickey and Trace Dickey. She is also survived by all of her great-grandchildren.

Visitation will begin on Thursday, June 15, 2017 from 5:30 to 7:00PM at St. Philip the Apostle Catholic Church. A Rosary will follow at 7:00PM. Funeral Services will be on Friday, June 16, 2017 at 10:00AM at St. Philip the Apostle Catholic Church with Rev. Michael Rother officiating. Burial will follow at Holy Cross Memorial Park.

Pallbearers will be her 12 grandsons. Honorary pallbearers are J.J. Hill, Elmer Rod, Arthur Priesmeyer, and Franklin Zaruba.

In lieu of flowers, donations in Ruby Jean's honor may be directed to the St. Philip Catholic Church in El Campo, El Campo Hospice or the charity of your choice.

Arrangements are under the direction of Triska Funeral Home in El Campo.

Cemetery Details

Holy Cross Memorial Park

1617 South Mechanic Street
El Campo, TX 77437
(979) 543-3770

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 15. 5:30 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

St. Philip Catholic Church
304 W. Church Street
El Campo, TX 77437
<http://stphilipapostle.org/>

Rosary

JUN 15. 7:00 PM (CT)

St. Philip Catholic Church
304 W. Church Street
El Campo, TX 77437
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Funeral Mass

JUN 16. 10:00 AM (CT)

St. Philip Catholic Church
304 W. Church Street
El Campo, TX 77437
<http://stphilipapostle.org/>

Tribute Wall

AS

“ So sorry for your loss.
Barbara, I now see where you get such
amazing characteristics.
Love,
Anna Shreves



Anna Shreves - September 16, 2017 at 09:55 AM

HD

“ Helen Dolezal lit a candle in memory of Ruby
Jean Rod



Helen Dolezal - June 16, 2017 at 03:46 PM



Wendell
McAskill

“ Andrew and Ruby have been long-time friends of our family, and we
are very sorry for this loss.
Wendell and Jean McAskill

Wendell McAskill - June 16, 2017 at 07:12 AM



“ A New Sunrise Spray was purchased for the
family of Ruby Jean Rod.



June 15, 2017 at 05:31 PM

FE

“ *Farmers Gin / John, Amber, Jackson & Bailey Engel purchased the Rose Remembrance for the family of Ruby Jean Rod.*



Farmers Gin / John, Amber, Jackson & Bailey Engel - June 15, 2017 at 02:26 PM

RH

“ *Randy And Vicki Hildebrand lit a candle in memory of Ruby Jean Rod*



Randy and Vicki Hildebrand - June 15, 2017 at 02:09 PM

KB

“ *Lois, Curtis & Family...
Sorrow not for you will meet her on the other side.. Always in our hearts & prayers.. What a wonderful blessing to so many in a family to share her life with.
Ken & Phylis Blanton*

ken & Phylis Blanton - June 15, 2017 at 11:31 AM

BS

“ *Bubba and Sharon Sloan purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Ruby Jean Rod.*



Bubba and Sharon Sloan - June 15, 2017 at 11:06 AM

JK

“ James, Emily, Jacob and Lillie Kucherka purchased the Basket of Joy for the family of Ruby Jean Rod.



James, Emily, Jacob and Lillie Kucherka - June 15, 2017 at 10:57 AM

TG

“ The Solvay Finance Group purchased the Magnificent Life Spray for the family of Ruby Jean Rod.



The Solvay Finance Group - June 15, 2017 at 10:13 AM

KB

“ Karen Blinka lit a candle in memory of Ruby Jean Rod



Karen Blinka - June 15, 2017 at 08:51 AM

KB

So sorry for your loss, Ruby Jean and the family will be in my thoughts and prayers.

Karen Blinka - June 15, 2017 at 08:52 AM



“ *Touching Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Ruby Jean Rod.*



June 15, 2017 at 01:37 AM



“ *Ruby Jean was a wonderful lady who always gave all of her heart to help others. Always wearing the smile of love and kindness. I learned so much from her for all of her 4-H volunteering efforts. Thank you Mrs. Rod. God received a lovely angel who will be so missed by all who knew her.*

L Walla - June 14, 2017 at 10:47 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ruby Jean Rod.*



June 14, 2017 at 06:35 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Ruby Jean Rod.*



June 14, 2017 at 05:41 PM



“ Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ruby Jean Rod.



June 14, 2017 at 03:22 PM



“ Crop Production Services purchased the Crystal Cross Bouquet for the family of Ruby Jean Rod.



Crop Production Services - June 14, 2017 at 01:57 PM



“ *Jeanne and family,
My thoughts and prayers are with you all. I know your sweet mom will be greatly missed! May the hope you have in Jesus bring you comfort and strength now and in the days to come.
With much sympathy,
The "other" Jeanne (Cerny) :-)
Class of 1980*

Jeanne - June 14, 2017 at 01:49 PM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Ruby Jean Rod.*



June 14, 2017 at 11:39 AM

PD

“ Patricia Dybala lit a candle in memory of Ruby Jean Rod



Patricia Dybala - June 14, 2017 at 11:00 AM

SS

“ Sherry & Cheyanne Salinas lit a candle in memory of Ruby Jean Rod



Sherry & Cheyanne Salinas - June 14, 2017 at 10:23 AM

GC

“ Gary And Jan Charbula lit a candle in memory of Ruby Jean Rod



Gary and Jan Charbula - June 14, 2017 at 09:57 AM

KT

“ Kenny And Karen Trochta lit a candle in memory of Ruby Jean Rod



Kenny and Karen Trochta - June 14, 2017 at 09:02 AM

LE

“ Thinking of the Rod family in the loss of such a wonderful wife, mother and grandmother. The name Ruby is truly reflective of the "gem" she was in the lives of so many. Jim & Linda Elliott

Linda Elliott - June 14, 2017 at 07:37 AM



“ Diana Huvar lit a candle in memory of Ruby Jean Rod



Diana Huvar - June 13, 2017 at 11:35 PM



BLESSINGS TO THE ENTIRE ROD FAMILY MAY SHE REST IN PEACE WITH ALL THR ANGELS

Diana Huvar - June 13, 2017 at 11:39 PM



“ Crystal Cross Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ruby Jean Rod.



June 13, 2017 at 11:11 PM

EC

“ Sending prayers of Sympathy to all of the Rod families. Keep her memories as you are all so Blessed to have a loving family. Elaine Mach Cook



Elaine Cook - June 13, 2017 at 11:07 PM



“ Days of Sunshine Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ruby Jean Rod.



June 13, 2017 at 10:51 PM

DB

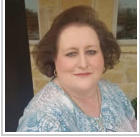
“ Blessed woman... blessed family. May they feel the comfort of God's loving arms surround them as she goes home. Love and hugs to all of you.

Debbie Bruce - June 13, 2017 at 09:51 PM

LP

“ So sorry for your loss. She was a wonderful lady! She will truly be missed. Prayers for the whole family! Love you, Laura Prihoda and family

Laura Prihoda - June 13, 2017 at 07:24 PM



“ So sorry for ur loss Vanessa. Prayers going out to the family.....



Pamela Brandt Rosselli - June 13, 2017 at 05:51 PM



“ Deepest sympathy to the family. What a legacy Ruby Jean has left for her family and so many others. I was honored to know her. A favorite rice dish recipe I have made for 40 years and shared with countless others was hers.

Donna Thornton - June 13, 2017 at 05:40 PM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Ruby Jean Rod.



June 13, 2017 at 05:18 PM



“ Rose Ann Mitchell lit a candle in memory of Ruby Jean Rod



Rose Ann Mitchell - June 13, 2017 at 05:10 PM

JR

“ So very sorry to hear of the loss of your wife, mother, grandmother, and friend. My heart goes out to you all. You are in my thoughts and prayers. Janie Roehl

Janie Roehl - June 13, 2017 at 04:58 PM

TP

“ Trish Pustejovsky lit a candle in memory of Ruby Jean Rod



Trish Pustejovsky - June 13, 2017 at 04:54 PM

TP

My thoughts & prayers are with you all during this difficult time.

Trish Pustejovsky - June 13, 2017 at 04:55 PM

GJ

“ August & I are so sorry to hear of Mrs. Rod's passing. The 4-H days are the most vivid memories of her. She and Pauline were such great influences in so many young 4-H'ers lives. Please know you are all in our thoughts and prayers.

G K Jochech - June 13, 2017 at 03:13 PM