



Kathleen B. Sutcliffe

March 13, 1924 - October 1, 2016

1924-2016

Kathleen Sutcliffe, age 92, a loving mother and grandmother, passed away peacefully on Saturday, October 1, 2016 while visiting with friends at her memory care home in Albuquerque. She was born March 13, 1924 in Dexter, New Mexico to Ova Walter Phillips and Lillian Celena Duncan Phillips. After graduating from high school she was employed by the AT&SF Railroad as a telegraph operator and was posted at Abo, NM. During a shopping trip to Vaughn, NM she met the love of her life, Harold J. Sutcliffe, who also worked for the AT&SF Railroad. They were married December 12, 1944 and started a family. They remained in Vaughn until the mid-1960's when the railroad moved them to Belen. After Harold's passing Kathleen continued living in Belen until 2013 when she then moved to Albuquerque to be closer to family members. Kathleen's home was always open to young people and animals and she doted and spoiled all her grandchildren. Few could beat her at cards or dice games and her sense of humor delighted many. She was an active member of the Church of Christ in Belen, the Westend Sewing Club and the Ladies Auxiliary of the United Transportation Union of which she served as an officer numerous times. Her artistic side came out in her skills at sewing, knitting and crocheting with the beneficiaries being her grandchildren and residents of senior citizen homes in the area. She was from a large family with seven siblings all but one of which preceded her in death, LaVerene Grant, Gene

Coats and Pete Phillips of Dexter, Sarah Staden and Patricia Johnson of Roswell, and Kirk Phillips of Whitedeer, Texas. The surviving sister is Betty Clemenza of Dexter. Kathleen is survived by her children, Joyce Smith of Little Rock, AR., Rosie Follis and Helen Regalado of Keller, TX, Dan and Pamela Sutcliffe of Albuquerque, Kathy and Kenny Evans of McIntoch, NM and LuGene and Buddy Blue of Portales, NM; grandchildren, Daniel (Melissa) Sutcliffe, Sarah (Adam) Longbotham, Ronnie Smith, Andrea (Ryan) Swinney, Kyle John (Venessa) Blue, Tamara (Trane) Wyatt, Rebecca (Greg) Aguilar, Benjamin Blue, Todd (Jennifer) Evans, Stephanie (Scott) Hagel, and Jennifer Regalado; and 24 great grandchildren. A Public Viewing will be held at 3:00 p.m. on Wednesday, October 5, 2016, at Romero Funeral Home. A Grave side Services will be held at 1:00 p.m. on Thursday, October 6, 2016, at the Dexter-Hagerman cemetery in southeastern New Mexico. Pallbearers will be Daniel Sutcliffe, Kyle John Blue, Benjamin Blue, Adam Longbotham, Ryan Swinney, and Greg Aguilar. In lieu of flowers Kathleen has requested that donations be given to New Mexico Christian Children's Home. Please sign Kathleen's online tribute at romerofuneralhomenm.com Romero Funeral Home, 609 N. Main St. Belen, NM.

Previous Events

Viewing

OCT **5**. 3:00 PM (MT)

Romero Funeral Home Chapel
609 N. Main St.
Belen, NM 87002
(505) 864-8501
romerofuneralhome@comcast.net
<https://www.romerofuneralhomenm.com>

Graveside Service

OCT **6**. 1:00 PM (MT)

Hagerman Cemetery
Hagerman, NM

Tribute Wall

SG

“ *My deepest condolences to the Sutcliffe family. I have many fond memories of our days growing up in Vaughan. Mrs. Sutcliffe was my second mom. She will be missed.*

Sandy Easley Gillett - October 07, 2016 at 12:18 AM

GM

“ *GLORIA & JOHN MASTERS purchased the Florist Choice Bouquet for the family of Kathleen B. Sutcliffe.*



GLORIA & JOHN MASTERS - October 05, 2016 at 03:59 PM

SH

“ *Stephanie, Scott, Nathan , And Reilly Ha sent a virtual gift in memory of Kathleen B. Sutcliffe*



Stephanie, Scott, Nathan , and Reilly Ha - October 04, 2016 at 10:58 PM

DB

“ *Our deepest sympathies to you and your family for the loss of your mother. May her love live on in your memories and bring you peace. The apple does not fall far from the tree so she must have been a wonderful mom!*

Deborah & Nigel Brown - October 04, 2016 at 10:10 PM

TR

“ *The Clappertons and The Reels purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Kathleen B. Sutcliffe.*



The Clappertons and The Reels - October 04, 2016 at 01:15 PM

TM

“ *The Brethren of the Grand Lodge of New Mexico purchased the Beautiful Heart Bouquet for the family of Kathleen B. Sutcliffe.*



The Brethren of the Grand Lodge of New Mexico - October 04, 2016 at 07:17 AM

DB

“ *Our sincere condolences to Brother Dan and Family in this most difficult time. A donation will be sent to the Christians Children's Home in her memory.*

Dennis & Barb - October 04, 2016 at 06:24 AM



“ *A New Sunrise Spray was purchased for the family of Kathleen B. Sutcliffe.*



October 04, 2016 at 12:06 AM

CR

“ Christine Ross lit a candle in memory of Kathleen B. Sutcliffe



Christine Ross - October 03, 2016 at 11:33 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Kathleen B. Sutcliffe.



October 03, 2016 at 10:53 PM

KD

“ I was very blessed to have the Sutcliffes as neighbors growing up in Belen. I spent many happy hours playing all kinds of games with them. My favorite was Yahtzee. Kathleen was fun and generous with her time. One year she made me an Easter dress. She was an excellent seamstress. And she shared her talents by helping us kids make Barbie clothes. She was a very special person. I am sorry for your loss.

Kathy Day - October 03, 2016 at 10:33 PM



Vanessa Blue

“ Vanessa Blue lit a candle in memory of Kathleen B. Sutcliffe



Vanessa Blue - October 03, 2016 at 08:34 PM

DR

“ *Dicky And Suzanne Romero lit a candle in memory of Kathleen B. Sutcliffe*



Dicky and Suzanne Romero - October 03, 2016 at 08:15 PM

ME

“ *My heartfelt condolences on the loss of your beautiful mother Helen. May she rest in God's loving arms and may your memories of her continue to comfort you until you meet again.*



Michelle Ethridge - October 03, 2016 at 07:33 PM



I am so sorry to hear of the loss of your beautiful mother. May your memories of her long life give you peace and comfort. Antoinette Sedillo Lopez

Antoinette Sedillo Lopez - October 03, 2016 at 11:18 PM

RH

My deepest condolences to the family of Kathleen Sutcliffe. We were neighbors in Vaughn and I have very fond memories of all of you. You are all in my thoughts and in my prayers.

Rosa Aguilar Horcasitas - October 04, 2016 at 11:22 AM

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Kathleen was my first cousin once removed. Her mother was my grandfather William David Duncan's sister and my dad, John Henry Duncan was her first cousin. I never had the privilege to meet her face to face and found out about her via genealogy search. I know she had to be a marvelous person because all of my cousins are.

Dorothy Willard (Duncan) - October 07, 2016 at 04:40 PM