



## Nancy Ratch

June 1, 1936 - January 7, 2023

Nancy Bruce Ratch (nee Read), 86, of Topeka, KS passed away Saturday, January 7, 2023.

She was born June 1, 1936, in Boonville, MO, the daughter of Lloyd Earl and Shirley Norine (Vanderford) Read.

She graduated from Kirksville Senior High School in 1954, Christian College in Columbia, MO in 1956 and received a BS in Physical Therapy from the University of Kansas in 1959.

Nancy married Robert Ray Ratch on July 4, 1958 at the University of Kansas in Lawrence. He preceded her in death on May 18, 2008.

Nancy was a Physical Therapist, homemaker, and the former First Lady of Lindenhurst. Her husband served as Mayor from 1983 to 1991. She volunteered for many charity organizations throughout her lifetime.

Mrs. Ratch was a member of Wanamaker Woods Church of the Nazarene in Topeka.

Survivors include her daughters, Christina (Laurence) Burton of Aurora, CO and Robin (William) Moore of West Palm Beach, FL; and four grandsons, Kamen (Kayla) Burton, Corey (Libby) Burton, William Bradley (Blake) Moore and Henry Moore as well as her sister, Linda Rickard.

Nancy enjoyed reading, sewing, talking, laughing, eating custard, studying her Bible and most of all talking with her grandsons.

A memorial service will be held at 10:00 am on Saturday, June 3, 2023 at Dove Cremations and Funerals Southwest Chapel, 3700 SW Wanamaker Rd.,

Topeka, KS 66610.

A private graveside took place on Saturday, January 14, 2023 at Millburn Cemetery in Old Mill Creek, IL where she was laid to rest with her husband, Bob.

Ringa Funeral Home, 122 S Milwaukee Ave., Lake Villa, IL 60046 assisted the family with the interment.

Memorial contributions may be made in Nancy's honor to Wanamaker Woods Church of the Nazarene, 3501 SW Wanamaker Rd, Topeka, KS 66614.

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

JUN 3. 10:00 AM (CT)

Dove Cremations and Funerals Southwest Chapel, , , KS 66610.  
3700 SW Wanamaker Rd.  
Topeka, KS 66610

# Tribute Wall



“ *Nancy Ratch*

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October 04, 2023 at 02:13 PM



“ *Loving Lilies and Roses Bouquet was purchased for the family of Nancy Ratch.*



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May 31, 2023 at 02:16 PM



“ *A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Nancy Ratch.*

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