



Ruth Marie Nash

December 12, 1928 - January 21, 2024

Ruth M. Nash, 95, passed away in Ashland Sunday, Jan. 21, 2024.

Ruth was born Dec. 28, 1928, in Cleveland, Ohio, to Alfred Kieselbach and Marie (Sabo) Kieselbach. She and her brother Al grew up on E. 133rd in Cleveland.

Her family became Jehovah's Witnesses when she was young. She was baptized when she was nine years old, and being a Jehovah's Witness was the most important thing to her throughout her life.

She married Sanford Nash on December 25, 1950.

In 1955, Sanford took a job in Ashland as a radio technician with the Department of Transportation. They built a house six miles east of Ashland, where Ruth lived until she died. There they raised three children: Donald, Cleveland; Barbara "KJ" (Michael) Sharpe, Alabama; and Margaret (Susan Harlow), Cleveland.

Once all three children were in school, Ruth started work on a degree at Ashland College, graduating in 1967. She liked to tell people that she graduated from college 20 years after graduating from Shaw High School.

With a degree in education, she taught 7th grade English at Ashland Junior High for eight years. After that, she worked as a proofreader for publishing companies, including Beacon Graphics in Ashland and PV Communications in Loudonville.

As an English teacher and a proofreader, she felt duty-bound to correct any incorrect language use she came across, be it in speech from a friend or guest speaker, or in a library book.

More gracious things she was known for include her baking, especially of cream pies, and her endless knitting. She learned to knit from a neighbor across the street when she was ten years old, and never stopped. Over the years, she knitted dozens of afghans, more than a hundred sweaters, and hundreds of scarves, many for members of her congregation.

Besides her three children, she is also survived by ex-daughter-in-law Loretta Taylor Nash; two grandsons and their wives, Andrew Nash and Caitlin Krentz, and Elliot and Alex Nash, and one great-granddaughter, Lucy.

She would have found it ridiculously obvious to say that this 95-year-old was predeceased by her parents.

A Memorial Service will be held on Sunday, March 17, 2024, at 3:00 pm at the Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witnesses, 1404 Jacobson Ave. Ashland, OH 44805

Those unable to attend in person can view the service by zoom with the following id and password:

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