



Ruth Hodge

November 27, 1941 - December 29, 2020

Ruth Karriker Hodge entered the church triumphant on December 29, 2020 after a brief illness. Ruth was born on November 27, 1941 to the late Mr. & Mrs. M.T. Karriker in Rowan County. She graduated from Catawba College & spent 33 years teaching in the Rowan County School System. For many years, she and her late husband, Robie, owned and operated Hodge Farms, manufacturer of Ranchers Pride Feeds and retailer of other livestock feeds. Another passion was her love for her chickens, cats, livestock, riding her Gator, having her garden and Duke basketball. She was a lifelong member of St. Luke's Lutheran Church, where she was very active in the congregation. She served on the church council, taught bible school and Sunday school, was treasurer of WELCA and had many other positions. Those left to cherish her memories are: son, Robert Hodge; son, Joe Hodge (Teyah); daughter, Ann Ridenhour (Jimmy), granddaughters, Grace and Claire Hodge; sisters, Evelyn Foster of Salisbury and Nena Gibson of Mooresville; and numerous nephews & nieces. Her graveside service will be at St. Luke's Lutheran Church in Mount Ulla at 2pm on Sunday, January 3, 2021. Her service is open to the public. For those who are unable to attend the graveside, you may go to the following link for the live stream

<https://www.facebook.com/CavinCookFuneralHomeServices/>

The family would like to thank all of her healthcare providers, including Novant Health Cancer Institution (Mooresville), Bayada and Banner Drug. A special thanks to those that regularly checked in with her, to her in-home nurse and to

her personal doctor.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to St. Luke's Lutheran Church-cemetery memorial fund or Pancreatic Cancer Foundation.

Cavin-Cook Funeral Home, Mooresville, is serving the Hodge family.

Condolences may be made to the family at www.cavin-cook.com.

Cemetery Details

St. Luke's Lutheran Church

11020 NC Hwy 801
Mount Ulla, NC 28125

Previous Events

Graveside Service

JAN 3. 2:00 PM - 2:30 PM.

St. Luke's Lutheran Church Cemetery

Tribute Wall



“ *Ruth Hodge*

February 14, 2021 at 11:24 AM



“ *Ruth Hodge*

February 14, 2021 at 11:04 AM



“ *Ruth Hodge*

February 14, 2021 at 11:03 AM



“ *So sorry to hear of Ruth's passing. I always enjoyed seeing her when I bought feed. Prayers and healing to the family.*

Albert Bendig - January 08, 2021 at 10:57 AM



“ *Mrs. Hodge was always a blessing. I am glad to have the chance to have her as a teacher at Mt.Ulla. For the most part while I still lived in the area always a blessing to chat with her when I went to pick up horse feed. I remember I brought her a bob tail cat to the farm and she was so tickled about that cat. Through the years ever time I would see her she would still thank me for that cat. She sure was proud of her bob tail cats on the farm. What a blessing to have known her, even more to have learned from her.*

Billy Jones - January 05, 2021 at 04:21 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Ruth Hodge.*



January 01, 2021 at 05:24 PM



“ *Robert and Family: We were sorry to learn about your Mother's passing. May she rest in peace and prayers of healing to her family.*

Susan & Gary Linza

Susan Linza - January 01, 2021 at 04:50 PM



“ *Mrs. Hodge taught me at Cleveland Elementary and was one of the best teachers I ever had. Mrs. Hodge also taught my brother and through the years we've spoken often of how much respect we had for her. My condolences to all the family!*

Danny Redman - December 31, 2020 at 08:23 PM



“ *Got to know Ruth thru her husband Robie who was a co-worker at National Starch and Chemical Company. My sympathies and condolences to all the family.*

Ray Paradowski

Ray Paradowski - December 31, 2020 at 02:52 PM

GL


“ I was blessed to work with Ruth at Mt. Ulla School, and my oldest daughter was fortunate enough to have her as a teacher. She was an AWESOME teacher! She always kept us laughing and was so fun! I remember in her classroom a banner she kept up year round...it said, "There is no right way to do the wrong thing." She truly cared about her students as well as all her co-workers. We will miss you Ruth!

Glynis Lefler - December 31, 2020 at 11:37 AM

LW

“ She was the best teacher that a young person could have. I was lucky enough to have her in the fifth and sixth grade. So glad I had the opportunity to see and talk to her again when she was a substitute at Cleveland School when my kids were there. I got to tell her how much she had meant to me. A true angel. Robert, Ann and Joe, you have my deepest sympathy. Linda Fraley Watts

Linda Watts - December 30, 2020 at 08:34 PM

 Berniece Peterson

“ Berniece Peterson lit a candle in memory of Ruth Hodge



Berniece Peterson - December 30, 2020 at 07:32 PM

PG

“ As her nephew I always enjoyed her quick wit, she was as sharp as a tack! She also provided me with eggs from her flock of hens when I visited my mom (her sister). She taught me and imparted to me wisdom, a quality she has honed over her entire lifetime.

My prayers and thoughts go to Robert, Ann and Joe, my cousins.

Aunt Ruth, you are in heaven surrounded by beautiful sunflowers.

Phil Gibson and wife Mary

Phil Gibson - December 30, 2020 at 05:04 PM

LL

“ *Lee Lail lit a candle in memory of Ruth Hodge*



Lee Lail - December 30, 2020 at 02:35 PM

LL

“ *Mrs. Hodge taught me in the sixth grade at Mount Ulla Elementary School. She was a great teacher, and a great lady with a great sense of humor. Her family will be in my thoughts and prayers at this difficult time.*

Lee Lail - December 30, 2020 at 02:33 PM

PB

“ *Patty Bishop sent a virtual gift in memory of Ruth Hodge*



Patty Bishop - December 30, 2020 at 06:05 AM

PB

“ *Patty Bishop lit a candle in memory of Ruth Hodge*



Patty Bishop - December 30, 2020 at 05:46 AM

PB

I will miss Ruth. A kind, caring, compassionate, loving lady. I counted on her for my animals food for over 20 years and she always worked with me. When I had cancer last year, she sent me a gift certificate for animal feed from the store. I always knew my babies would never go hungry. Ruth listened, advised, always had time to chat, was so proud of her children and grandchildren, loved her cats and loved her customers and community. May you rest comfortably in Robie's arms again in the presence of God. I will miss you, dear Ruth.

Patty Bishop - December 30, 2020 at 05:57 AM

TG

“ *Dear Robert and Joe you had an amazing mother she always had a smile to share and was always kind to me. I will miss our talks just visiting with her. She was a strong presence and will be greatly missed by all. Having just list my own mother in June I can feel your pain my thoughts and prayers are with you.*

Tammy Grubb - December 30, 2020 at 12:20 AM

SP

“ *Ruth was an amazing woman. Any time I saw or spoke with my friend, I went away better for it. I will always treasure our friendship and will miss her so very much! Godspeed my dear friend. Love and prayers to her loving family. May God grant you peace and provide comfort.*

Shawn Potter - December 29, 2020 at 11:15 PM