



A lasting memorial has been given to
Spirit of Hope Church

In memory of
Ruth Kezele

By her husband Rudy

Ruth Kezele

April 19, 1926 July 14, 2008

Ruth was born in Hector, Minnesota. A long time member of Spirit of Hope UMC she especially enjoyed her UMW circle.

She graduated from St. Cloud State University with a Bachelor's Degree in English. She later earned a MS at UW Madison.

Ruth taught in several places, the last at North High School in Mpls. teaching English for 28 years and acting as advisor for class plays and the yearbook. She created a program for students with learning problems incorporating films to help develop writing abilities and coordinated this program for other schools. She also taught high school students at the Guthrie Theater for a year.

Ruth met Rudy when they were both teaching in Elk River. He was a vocational and agriculture teacher. They were fortunate to have spent time in the winter in Maui for 13 years and the last 14 in Marco Island in Florida.

As a cancer survivor, she volunteered for years at the HHH Cancer Center at North Memorial.

Ruth loved sports. They had season tickets to the UofM football and basketball and also enjoyed Twins games. She could be found in the kitchen talking sports with the men when there were gatherings in their home. While Rudy organized their exposure to sports, she arranged their season memberships to the arts.

Ruth loved to read and was a member of several book clubs. It was well known that she had an amazing recall of books she had read and was able to reference them long after reading the book. She had a curious nature and read to educate herself whether it was political, historical or general information.

She impacted many lives and we were fortunate to have her as a part of our church family.



“Lifelong Learner and Educator”