



Nancy Hanlon Ridgway

November 25, 1929 - January 7, 2025

Nancy Dianne Hanlon Ridgway, 95, passed away peacefully on January 7, 2025.

Nancy was born to Marion and Fernando Benedict “Bun” Hanlon on November 25, 1929, in Coffeyville, Kansas. She attended Monte Cassino Catholic School in Tulsa, OK followed by Kansas State University where her treasured lifelong friendships with her Tri Delta sisters began. Nancy worked at Boeing Airlines until she married the love of her life, John Joseph “Jack” Ridgway, Jr., also from Coffeyville. Jack chose a career in the US Army and Nancy lived an adventuresome life as an Army officer’s wife and loving mother to eight children.

Throughout their life, they managed an impressive eighteen moves, including two tours in Germany. She made each destination an opportunity to create a loving home and new adventures. She lived in service to her family, church, and community. Nancy was an ongoing Den Mother, Girl Scout Leader, Religious Education Teacher, and very active School Volunteer. She was an avid bridge player and loved to play golf, marshalling at three PGA events.

Nancy was a hostess extraordinaire at many military coffees, dinners, promotional events, and fundraisers. She mentored new military wives and was instrumental in the development of scholarship programs and countless

other causes.

Nancy Hanlon Ridgway is survived by her loving children; Kathleen R. Urbom, John Joseph Ridgway III, Eileen and Leo Holmes, Patricia and Tim Tippit, Michael T. Ridgway, Molly R. Longmore, Bill P. Ridgway, and David H. Ridgway. She was blessed with 24 grandchildren and 39 great-grandchildren, all who cherished and adored her as Grammy and Grandmother.

Nancy is pre-deceased by her beloved husband, Col. John J. Ridgway Jr. Retired, her parents Bun and Marion Hanlon, sister Mary Helen Bennett, brothers Thomas Hanlon and James Hanlon, son-in-law Paul V. Urbom, and great-granddaughter Maisy Anne Hartmann.

The Ridgway family would like to acknowledge and share grateful appreciation for Complete OK Health Care and Morada Retirement Memory Care Facility, Lawton, OK for their personalized attention and care.

The rosary will be prayed at 7 p.m. Monday, January 27, 2025, at Holy Name Catholic Church, 408 Willow Street, Coffeyville, KS 67337, where Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday. Burial will follow in Calvary Cemetery, Coffeyville.

Memorial contributions may be made to Holy Name Catholic Church.

Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home, Topeka KS, is honored to be assisting with arrangements. Online condolences may be sent to www.kevinbrennanfamily.com.

Cemetery Details

Calvary Cemetery

Coffeyville, KS

Previous Events

Rosary

JAN 27. 7:00 PM (CT)

Holy Name Catholic Church
408 Willow Street
Coffeyville, KS 67337

Mass of Christian Burial

JAN 28. 10:30 AM (CT)

Holy Name Catholic Church
408 Willow Street
Coffeyville, KS 67337

Tribute Wall

SB

“ Sry Aunt Eileen for the loss of ur mom.. I will keep u uncle Leo kalie Bret and ur whole family in my prayers. I love you guys. Sarah Briley-Brimm

Sarahlynn Brimm - January 29, 2025 at 03:25 PM

CL

“ My condolences to the entire Ridgway family. She truly was a great lady and will be missed. I planted a tree that will stand for years in her memory.
Cathy Lichty.

Catherine Lichty - January 26, 2025 at 04:22 PM



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

January 26, 2025 at 01:40 PM

PH

“ PA Ridgways (Brandon, Jana & Hadley) purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Nancy Hanlon Ridgway.



PA Ridgways (Brandon, Jana & Hadley) - January 26, 2025 at 12:52 PM



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

January 24, 2025 at 10:44 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Nancy Hanlon Ridgway.



January 24, 2025 at 10:44 PM



“ Eileen, condolences to you and your family at this difficult time. She was an amazing lady who led an amazing life.
Tom Whiteley
OKC

Tom Whiteley - January 19, 2025 at 09:41 PM



“ Your PMF family purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Nancy Hanlon Ridgway.



Your PMF family - January 15, 2025 at 12:26 PM

YF

“ Your PMF family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Nancy Hanlon Ridgway.

Your PMF family - January 15, 2025 at 12:26 PM

BF

“ Kathy, so sorry for the loss of your mother. 🙏

Bobby Freeman - January 14, 2025 at 02:06 PM

KA

Dear Bobby: thank you, and thank you for all you do to bring comfort to many! Kath

Kathleen - January 14, 2025 at 04:05 PM

SH

Dear Kathleen and family, am so sorry to hear of the death of your mother and grandmother. May her soul and all the souls of the faithful departed rest in heavenly peace. Love and prayers

Sally Hubbell - January 15, 2025 at 09:28 AM

KM

Ben and I send condolences on hearing the death of your mother/grandmother. Prayers are with you at this time.

Klarilee A Meseke - January 21, 2025 at 11:41 AM

DK

We were so fortunate to have been next door neighbors with the Ridgways in Lawton, OK. Our kids went to school with theirs and we were amazed at how Nancy juggled the demands of career officer's wife with mother of eight. We took notes! The pleasant memories from those 30+ years are indelible. I share your sadness in the loss of your family matriarch. It is with much regret that I report the passing of my wife and our family matriarch, also. Terrie died September 15, 2024. Perhaps this will be informative for other Lawtonians reading these condolences.

Donald Kraft - January 27, 2025 at 08:02 PM