



Dorothy E. Roe

July 10, 1920 - February 13, 2015

Dorothy E. Roe, age 94 of Highland, IL, died Friday, February 13, 2015, at Legacy Place in Highland, IL.

She was born July 10, 1920, in Quincy, IL, the daughter of Albert E. and Edith M. (nee McConnell) Sorrill.

On April 19, 1947, she married Isaiah F. Roe who passed away on March 18, 2003.

She was a member of First Congregational Church of Highland. She was also a member of First Congregational Church-Highland; Order of Eastern Star, Highland Chapter #524-Highland; Delta Kappa Gamma (Honorary for Women Teachers); Kappa Delta Phi (Honorary Education Sorority); Sigma Zeta (National Math Honorary); Church Women Volunteers at the First Congregational church; Pierian Study Group-Highland; Christian Women's Club-Highland.

Mrs. Roe was born on a farm in Adams County, IL; the farm is now the site of the Quincy, IL, airport. She graduated from Quincy High School in 1937; earned a BS from Western Illinois University. During the WWII, she taught in rural schools in Adams County, Liberty High School and Havana Jr. High School for a total of seven years. She and her husband moved to Highland, IL

in 1952. From 1957, until retiring in 1978, Mrs. Roe taught Geometry and Latin at Highland High School. Following her retirement, she volunteered with her church and other community groups including Meals-on-Wheels, several local nursing homes, Cub Scouts, Sunday School and church vacation Bible school. She was a private tutor. In the 1980's she was a Pillsbury Bake-Off finalist. She was the faculty member who instituted the National Honor Society at Highland High School. Since 2011 Mrs. Roe has been a resident of Legacy Place assisted living center in Highland.

Survivors include :

Son - Charles E. "Chuck" (Charlotte Jones-Roe) Roe, Raleigh, NC

Son - Robert R. "Bob" (Patricia) Roe, Oklahoma City, OK

Grandchild - Andrew W. (Jessica) L'Roe, Madison, WI

Grandchild - Benjamin E. Roe, Seattle, WA

Grandchild - Madison Trowell, Oklahoma City, OK

Grandchild - David I. Waters, Oklahoma City, OK

Great Grandchildren - Two

Brother - Donald E. (Shirley) Sorrill, Liberty, IL

Sister - Marjorie J. (Richard) Rabbitt, Crystal Lake, IL

Sister - Phyllis C. (Lee) Farlow, Camp Point, IL

She was preceded in death by :

Father - Albert E. Sorrill

Mother - Edith M. Sorrill nee McConnell

Husband - Isaiah F. Roe died 03/18/2003

Brother - Richard A. Sorrill, Quincy, IL

Sister - Ruth E. Koester

Arrangements are being handled by Spengel-Boulanger Funeral Home in Highland, Illinois.

Visitation will be held from 4:00 PM to 8:00 PM on Monday, February 16, 2015, at Spengel-Boulanger Funeral Home in Highland, IL, and from 9:00 AM to 11:00 AM, on Tuesday, February 17, 2015, at First Congregational Church of Highland in Highland, IL.

Funeral service will be at 11:00 AM on Tuesday, February 17, 2015, at First Congregational Church of Highland in Highland, IL, with Rev. Greg S. Brady officiating.

Interment will be at Highland City Cemetery in Highland, IL.

Memorial contributions may be made to First Congregational Church.

Tribute Wall

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“ *Very kind woman, who was wonderful to myself and my 2 children when we moved behind them after my divorce.* 💕

Barb Dineen-Naas - April 11, 2015 at 01:24 AM

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Bob Roe - February 22, 2015 at 10:13 PM

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Bob Roe - February 21, 2015 at 08:43 PM

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Bob Roe - February 21, 2015 at 08:38 PM

BS

“ Chuck and Bob; I was surprised and saddened upon seeing the news of your mother's passing. You both have my deepest condolences for your loss. I have nothing but the fondest of memories of your mother. She was among my favorite teachers at Highland High School. She was my Latin teacher and I still occasionally use some of the rudiments of the language she taught me. But more than imparting knowledge, she, like her husband Isaiah, instilled in me values that I think make us all better individuals. When visiting my late mother I always looked forward to attending church at First Congregational and the opportunity it provided me to chat with Mr. and Mrs. Roe. These are memories I shall cherish forever. Again, my deepest sympathy to both of you upon your loss. Bob Sautter - Hickory, North Carolina

Bob Sautter - February 18, 2015 at 10:02 AM

BG

“ Chuck and Bob- Our prayers and sympathy is with you. Your mother was a great influence on, and teacher to, many students. I cannot walk into the Highland Congregational Church without thinking of both she and your father Isaiah. They gave so much to the Highland Public Schools, Boy Scouts and church family. So many years have passed, but it seems like only yesterday when I step inside. Take care my friends, Bob Gerling

Bob Gerling - February 17, 2015 at 10:56 AM

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“ Our deepest sympathies to your families. We met your Mom and Dad about the same time we moved to Highland. In fact your mother and I shared a teaching day at the high school in 1956 when we went back to teaching. She taught Latin and I taught English. We have had a very long friendship. I will be sending this notice to Warren, who lives in Kansas City area. Best wishes.

Rich and Marge Clayton - February 14, 2015 at 10:49 AM

DB

“ We are sorry to hear this news but know that she was not doing the best. We were glad that we were able to see her a couple of times in the past year. She was always pleasant and had many good stories to tell. She and Mr. Roe had a big impact on many of us at HHS. They both will be missed.

We are spending time, as usual, during February here in the Gulf Shores, Alabama area before heading next week on Wednesday to Miami, FL for a cruise with my Class of '63 group. So, we are sorry that we will not be able to attend the visitation or funeral for her. She, and the family, will be in our thoughts and prayers.

We hope that everyone will remember the good things that she did for the students of HHS and the people of Highland.

With our deepest sympathy to Chuck, Bob and families.

Darv & Delores Bloemker

Delores Bloemker - February 14, 2015 at 10:01 AM

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Thanks to all who have commented thus far. Yes, we'll miss her, but she was 94, had a good run, and is now with Dad. According to her caregivers, she's been talking with him occasionally for the past few weeks, and also teaching Geometry, apparently getting a head start on tutoring on the other side. Not that surprising, really. She was a loving wife, caring mother and dedicated teacher.

Bob Roe - February 22, 2015 at 10:18 PM