



Kathleen B. Hoffman

November 28, 1921 - December 27, 2011

Kathleen B. Hoffman, age 90 of Hot Springs Village, AR, died Tuesday, December 27, 2011, in Centerview, MO.

She was born on Monday, November 28, 1921, in Highland, IL, the daughter of Oscar A. and Katherine M. (nee Nagel) Hug.

On Thursday, March 23, 1944, she married Russell D. Hoffman who passed away on November 21, 2011.

Kathleen was born and grew up in Highland, graduating from Highland High School in 1940. She attended MacMurray College in Jacksonville, IL for 2 years, where she was on the equestrian team. She left college to marry Russell Hoffman. While growing up, Kathleen's parents purchased a horse, Captain Kidd, fulfilling her longtime dream to have a horse. The 2 took part in area horse shows, winning many honors. Kidd could also perform tricks, and Kathleen and her horse performed at county fairs, horse shows, and parades, including the Highland Centennial in 1937. She was a member of the Queen's Court during the Centennial. Kathleen and her husband, an officer in the Navy Air Corps during World War II, lived in Hollister, CA, and Fallon, NV, where the Navy had an air base. She returned to Highland with her husband in March 1946 and lived there until they moved to Hot Springs Village, AR, in 1998. In 1960 Kathleen organized and became the leader of the first 4-H horse club in the

state of Illinois. In addition to a mounted drill team that performed at county fairs and the Illinois State Fair in Springfield. She taught her three daughters to ride horses, and they went on to earn national recognition for their abilities. She also raised thoroughbred and American Saddlebred horses for many years. Kathleen worked as an artist for Art Textile Corp., and Highland News Leader where she did ads and page layout work. She was a talented artist, equestrian, dancer, gardener and bridge player.

Survivors include:

Daughter - Debra (Arthur) Ozias, Centerview, MO

Daughter - Barb (Greg Bosche\') Hoffman, Warren, NH

Daughter - Kris (Michael) Hoffman Kennedy, Newtown, PA

Grandchild - Arthur A. Ozias, Centerview, MO

Grandchild - John Peter Ozias, Centerview, MO

Grandchild - Marlies Ozias, Centerview, MO

Great Grandchild - Olly Ozias

Great Grandchild - Ella Ozias

Nieces and Nephews - Many

Cousins - Many

She was preceded in death by:

Mother - Katherine M. Hug nee Nagel

Father - Oscar A Hug

Husband - Russell D. Hoffman died 11/21/2011

Brother - Delbert O Hug

Sister - Doris Weber

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