



## Bernice Mathews

November 29, 1930 - September 6, 2025

Bernice Mathews, 94, passed away peacefully on Saturday, September 9, 2025, in Roswell New Mexico. Please take a moment to share a kind thought or memory with the family at [www.andersonbethany.com](http://www.andersonbethany.com).

Services for Bernice will be held on Friday, September 12, 2025. A viewing will be held at Anderson Bethany Funeral Home from 10:00 AM to 11:00 AM, followed by a graveside service at South Park Cemetery at 11:00 AM with Jack Ferguson officiating.

Bernice was born on November 29, 1930, in Rush Springs, Oklahoma, to Johnnie and Florence Harrison. She married the love of her life, Eugene Mathews on June 11, 1949, in Roswell, New Mexico, and they began their lives together; a life full of love, happiness, and family. Bernice had a gift for bringing warmth and comfort into the lives of those she loved through cooking and sewing. Whether she was artfully crafting handmade garments or preparing hearty meals, she made sure to pour love and care into every stitch and meal.

Those left to eternally treasure their memories of Bernice are her children: Terry Mathews, Ray Mathews (Joanne), Brenda Kennedy (Don), and daughter in law, Twyla Mathews; grandchildren: Kimberly Guerrero, Amy Perry (Justin), Mandy Clem (Jason), Shelly Irvin (Gene), Tammi Smith (Rick), Ryan Mathews

(Tammy), Steven Kennedy (Clara), David Kennedy (Rayshell), and D.J. Kennedy (Kimberly); twenty-six great-grandchildren, three great-great-grandchildren, and numerous nieces and nephews; brother, Dee Harrison; and close friend, Connie Berry.

Bernice is preceded in death by her husband, Eugene Mathews; son, Lynn Mathews; parents, Johnnie Joseph Harrison and Florence Curtis Harrison; brothers: Leonard, Doyle, Earl, Fred, AJ, and Bob Harrison; sisters: Alma Higgins Allen, Irene Beeman, and Betty Jo Markham.

Honored to carry Bernice to her final rest place are Steven Kennedy, David Kennedy, DJ Kennedy, Ryan Mathews, Gene Irvin, and Rick Smith.

# Previous Events

## Viewing

SEP **12**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (MT)

Anderson-Bethany Funeral Home and Crematory  
2609 South Main  
Roswell, NM 88203  
(575) 622-5888  
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# Tribute Wall



“ 1 file added to the album *Memorial Video*



Anderson - Bethany Funeral Home and Crematory - January 15 at 11:30 AM

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“ One of the funniest things I remember Aunt Bernice saying is that when she went to get an ID card from the MVD, the man at the counter asked for her middle name and she told him she didn't have a middle name as her parents were too poor to give her one.

Cindy Markham - September 24, 2025 at 02:51 AM

AG

“ One of the greatest generation gone I will always remember you and growing up with you in my world I love you Aunt Bernice may you rest in peace i know you are with all of our loved ones!

Amber Garlinger - September 11, 2025 at 01:05 AM



“ Sweet Sincerity was purchased for the family of Bernice Mathews.



September 10, 2025 at 06:26 PM

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“ Love you Brenda, Terry and Ray - we'll be thinking about y'all. ❤️

*Cody and Tara Vander Dussen*



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**Tara Vander Dussen** - September 10, 2025 at 06:16 PM

JK

“ We were so sorry to hear of Aunt Bernice's passing. We wish you peace & comfort during this difficult time. Lots of love & hugs,

*Uncle Dee Harrison & Larry & Family & Judy & Family*

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**Judy Kennedy** - September 10, 2025 at 02:14 PM

CG

“ Ray and Terry and the rest of the family my sincere condolences and prayers



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**Christopher Graham** - September 10, 2025 at 10:16 AM

DP

So sorry for your loss. Our prayers and condolences. 🌸 🙏 Dennis & Debbie Paschall

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**Debbie Paschall** - September 11, 2025 at 09:10 PM