



Ethel May Reed

July 21, 1949 - October 21, 2020

Ethel May Reed, 71, was born on July 21, 1949, and she passed away on Wednesday, October 21, 2020. During these dates, she lived a very humble life yet leaving a tremendous impact on everyone she met. Ethel was born the youngest of nine children to William Homer Reed and Minnie Lee Charles Reed. She grew up in Dexter, New Mexico, and graduated from Dexter High School in 1969. Ethel quickly found her niche working with babies in the nursery. She spent thirty-four years loving her job and developing long-life friendships. Ethel eventually advanced her career and was proud to begin circulating in the OR for c-sections. After retiring from Eastern New Mexico Medical Center of Roswell, she immediately followed her work family to Lovelace Hospital for another eight years.

Ethel never married, but she dedicated her time to caring for her elderly parents. She had no biological children; however, she treated all thirty nieces and nephews as her own. Ethel was present for most of their deliveries with a crochet baby blanket made with love. She also had a lot of great and great-great; we could never name them all but rest assured, for Aunt Ethel knew each and every one of them AND knew their birthdays. Ethel loved spending time with family, whether it was at car races or family dinners. She spent all year long preparing for Christmas and made her famous holiday treats for everyone to enjoy. Ethel spent many months studying our family genealogy, even preparing a family tree for each family member. She was always thinking

of others.

Ethel was a member of Roswell Baptist Church and is now resting in the arms of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

SURVIVORS: Ethel is survived by her brother, LeeRoy Reed; sister-in-law, Rose Young; nieces and nephews; as well as her beloved dog, Midnight, whom she loved dearly.

PRECEDED: Ethel is preceded in death by her parents, William Homer Reed and Minnie Lee Charles Reed; brother and sisters: Orville Reed, Peggy (Ernest) Baca, Charles (LaRue) Reed, Sue (Howard) Vick, Willie (Kay) Reed, Richard Reed, Kathy Reed, Pearl (Larry) Mederios.

SERVICES: Pastor David Walden will officiate a Celebration of Ethel's Life with a Graveside Service at South Park Cemetery on Thursday, October 29, 2020, at 10:30 AM.

A meal will be provided at Roswell Baptist Church following the service. If you are unable to attend, please log on to Ethel's Facebook memory page and share a memory, photo, or kind thoughts.

Celebrate Ethel's life by visiting www.andersonbethany.com to offer a memory or expression of sympathy for her family.

The family would like to extend a special "Thank You" to all Eastern New Mexico Medical Center CCU staff, doctors, and Respiratory Therapists for compassionate care with Ethel and her family.

In lieu of flowers, a memorial contribution can be made to friends of Roswell Animals or the Roswell Baptist Church fund.

Tribute Wall



“ *Ethel May Reed*

December 29, 2022 at 05:26 PM



“ *I started working with Ethel in 1984. I was a brand new nurse and she taught me a lot. We worked together for years at both hospitals. I would grab her when i needed someone to help hold a baby for an IV start, cos I felt so comfortable with her. She fed us at work and would fix peas when I'd me there cos my family didn't like them. She'd start preparing for Christmas a year in advance and be finished before I started. We shared a lot over the years. I'll miss her. ❤️*



Jane Huddleston - October 31, 2020 at 04:22 AM



“ *Ethel my dearest friend for many yrs. we worked together in the nursery . You will be greatly missed. My prayers and thoughts are with the family. Svlvia d.l.s.*

sylvia de los santos - October 27, 2020 at 09:02 PM



“ *Sylvia De Los Santos lit a candle in memory of Ethel May Reed*



sylvia de los santos - October 27, 2020 at 08:55 PM

TE

“ Another memory I have of Ethel happened one night shift several years ago. Ethel and a nurse went into a patient's room to clean up the patient after a C-section. The patient was rather large and when she lifted her bottom up, there was a loud fart sound. The patient turned to the nurse and said, "Did I do that?". The nurse said, "Oh no, that was Ethel." Ethel quickly responded by saying "That was the baby!" At which point I walked in and said, "Oh sure Ethel, blame it on the baby."

I also remember her doing her Sudoku puzzles on breaks and lunches. We had to make sure we kept the part of the newspaper that had to puzzles.

Tiffany Ellis-Hale - October 27, 2020 at 10:38 AM

TE

“ I remember working with Ethel a lot. She was such a great help. She would hold and feed those babies. She would say things like "you're an ugly baby", but she never meant that. She taught all of us nurses so much about C-sections, setting up delivery tables, and caring for the patients. I will truly miss her.



Tiffany Ellis-Hale - October 27, 2020 at 10:15 AM

RM

“ Reynalda Montoya lit a candle in memory of Ethel May Reed



Reynalda Montoya - October 26, 2020 at 06:14 PM

PH

“ *Patty Heady lit a candle in memory of Ethel May Reed*



Patty Heady - October 26, 2020 at 05:11 PM

MT

“ *MONIKA THOMPSON lit a candle in memory of Ethel May Reed*



MONIKA THOMPSON - October 26, 2020 at 05:02 PM

JO

“ *Junior And Mary Orquiz lit a candle in memory of Ethel May Reed*



Junior and Mary Orquiz - October 26, 2020 at 04:55 PM

RG

“ *Robert & Sheila Glass lit a candle in memory of Ethel May Reed*



Robert & Sheila Glass - October 25, 2020 at 03:02 PM

JR

“ *Judy Ruiz lit a candle in memory of Ethel May Reed*



Judy ruiz - October 23, 2020 at 10:15 AM

SD

“ *Shauna & Troey Daffern lit a candle in memory of Ethel May Reed*



shauna & troey daffern - October 22, 2020 at 08:36 PM