



Rowena Miller Robinow

September 29, 1931 - January 14, 2011

Rowena Miller Robinow, 79, Overland Park, Kansas, formerly of Sioux City, Iowa, and Chisholm, Minnesota, died Friday, January 14, 2011, after a long illness. Funeral services will be held at 11:00 a.m., Monday, January 17, at Congregation Beth Torah, 6100 W. 127th Street in Overland Park, Kansas, followed by burial at Mount Moriah Cemetery, South. Mrs. Robinow, the former Rowena Miller, was born September 29th, 1931 in Chisholm, Minnesota, the "Range," as the iron mining area of northern Minnesota is known. She was the daughter of Roslyn Kaner Miller and Jake Miller. She attended Chisholm schools and graduated from the University of Minnesota Phi Beta Kappa with a degree in Social Work. She married Alvin Robinow, of Sioux City, Iowa February 2, 1952 in Minneapolis. The couple established a well-respected and successful hardware store in 1958 in Sioux City. Mrs. Robinow opened one of the first kitchen specialty stores in the area in the 1970's. They operated the store until 1978. The couple moved to Overland Park, Kansas, after retirement to be closer to their daughter, Amy Robinow Franklin and her family. Mr. Robinow passed away December 25, 1999. Survivors include a daughter, Amy Robinow Franklin and her husband, Scott Franklin of Overland Park; a daughter, Lisa Robinow and her husband, Robert H. Chiang of Ithaca, New York; a brother, Irving L. Miller and his wife Diane Miller of Rochester, Minnesota; three granddaughters, Robyn "Yali" Franklin and Jill Franklin of Overland Park and Molly Louise Chiang of Saratoga Springs, New York; one grandson, James Alan Chiang of Ithaca, New York; and several nieces and nephews. She is also survived by her favorite dog, Jingle Franklin. In lieu of flowers, contributions can be made to Village Shalom, Kansas City Hospice and Palliative Care or Congregation Beth Torah.

Comments



“ Amy and Lisa, your parents were always so kind to mother Ella Francisco when you lived in Sioux City. She always thought so much of you all. Thinking of you and your families at this sorrowful time. Vicki Lyons

Vicki Francisco Lyons - January 21, 2011 at 06:32 PM



“ Rowena - goodbye good neighbor, you were a sweetheart. Everybody gets a turn and this was yours, but we'll all get to be together another time. Yours was a great family - your Dad financed homes for so many miners who could not qualify at the local banks. You and yours will not be forgotten. From Charlie and the FortyNiners.

charles a. stepan - January 21, 2011 at 02:28 AM



“ Amy,
I'm so sorry for your profound loss. God give you and your sister Lisa strength in the days and months ahead.

Gerre Wade

Gerre Wade - January 19, 2011 at 05:20 PM



“ Scott Amy and family so sorry to hear about the passing of Rowena she was a client that we all shared at the salon and was very challenging, but that is what kept us on our toes. Hope you all can get through this time with love.

Terrie Tenpenny

Terrie Tenpenny - January 16, 2011 at 09:30 PM



“ I am so sorry to learn of your great loss. I met your sweet Mom many years ago at Hertzel Camp. Later we were friends at the U of M and together in AEPHi. Regretfully we lost touch through the years and I didn't realize that your parents were in Kansas City. I knew your father also and they were a wonderful couple! My deepest condolences to all of you. It is a sad time and I hope you will find comfort in all the wonderful memories that you shared through the years. Fondly, Carol Lee Seliger (Singer)

Carol Lee Seliger - January 16, 2011 at 01:16 PM



“ Amy and Family: We are so sorry to hear of the loss of your Mom. I know that she was a special person and that she will be missed. Your family is in our thoughts and prayers. Jim & Carole

Carole Ramsey - January 16, 2011 at 12:20 PM



“ What can be said at these times, other than we are thinking of you and we are there for you.

Jan & Robert - January 14, 2011 at 11:09 PM