



GRAND CHAPTER OF KANSAS
ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR
IN MEMORIAM
LILLIAN "TRUDY" RIDDLE
PAST GRAND MATRON 2009-2010

Lillian "Trudy" Gertrude Riddle, age 88, of Haysville, Kansas passed away on Wednesday, October 12, 2022. Trudy was born May 13, 1934 in her family home to Wesley and Pauline Stephens in Wichita, Kansas. She was one of five siblings.

Trudy worked for the City of Wichita for 10 years and later worked as a Data Entry clerk for Boeing for 27 years and later retired in 1992.

Trudy married the love of her life Robert L. Riddle on May 23, 1981. Together they shared five children Rhonda, Paula, Karen, John, and Jennifer.

She was an active member with Ninnescah Chapter #423, Clearwater Order of Eastern Star and a Past Grand Worthy Matron of Kansas. She also was a Past State Mother Advisor with the Order of Rainbow Girls. Trudy enjoyed attending her grandchildren's activities and spending time with them. She loved being outside and gardening and also traveling.

She was preceded in death by her parents, husband Robert L. Riddle, sister Jessie Marie Brown, and brother Wesley Stephens. She is survived by 2 daughters Rhonda (Greg) Weidner, Paula (Mark) Richards; 3 step-children Karen (Dale) Messer, John (Roseanne) Riddle, Jennifer Montgomery, all of Alabama; 2 siblings Elizabeth Stephens, and Mary K. Riordan; 15 grandchildren; 7 great-grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews.

A celebration of life service was held Saturday, October 22, 2022 at at Resthaven Mortuary, Wichita, Kansas 67209.

Sister Trudy was initiated into Ninnescah Chapter #423 Order of the Eastern Star in Clearwater, KS on May 16, 1963 where she held a number of offices; including Worthy Matron 6 times, most recently in 2003 She has a rich history of Grand Chapter committee appointments. Sister Trudy was appointed Grand Chaplain by Sister Paula Gettles and Brother Darrell Shanteau in 2005, and was elected Associate Grand Conductress in 2006. She and Brother James Billing were to preside over the 134th "Stars Across Kansas" session in 2010, but unfortunately Sister Trudy was unable to attend as she was hospitalized. This session was held at the Airport Hilton in Wichita, Kansas.

The theme and aim for her year in the Grand East encouraged us all to "Take a STAR-ing role in Kansas. The Aim was to SERVE-Service to the community, Enthusiasm for our Order, Responsibility for our Actions, Vigilance in Defense of our Country, Eagerly Participate in our Chapters,

When God turns out the lights at night, he looks down to make sure, we've enough light until morning, And if he thinks that we need more, He takes another star or two from his little store, /and when they need replacing, He reaches down for more. The starts are all his children, Living in realms of light. Surrounded in tranquility, and Angels shining bright. And when I'm thinking of you, No matter where you are, I take a look up to the sky, to see YOUR shining star.

In loving remembrance of our departed Past Grand Matron, please read this Memorial at the first stated meeting after its receipt and the Charter be draped for 30 days.

Gale Masten
Worthy Grand Matron

Tony Anderson
Worthy Grand Patron

Christy Hard
Grand Secretary