



Ruth Eblen

April 26, 1943 - November 12, 2023

Ruth Eblen, age 80, of Henderson, KY, passed away on Sunday, November 12, 2023, at Walnut Creek Alzheimer's Special Care Center in Evansville, IN.

Ruth was born on April 26, 1943, and raised on the family farm in Hebbardsville, KY where she and her sisters had joyous family gatherings, endless outdoor adventures and loved riding their horse Tex. She was a Henderson County High School graduate and then continued her education at Western Kentucky University where she earned her bachelor's degree in education. Ruth was a teacher for more than 27 years, working predominantly as a middle school teacher throughout her career. Ruth genuinely cared about her student's education and was well regarded by everyone.

She and her husband Rufus loved to travel, especially internationally. She was an avid reader, excellent cook and loved to share stories from their travels around the world. Ruth enjoyed spending her time in nature, gardening, and birdwatching. She stayed in contact with her colleagues and friends and spent hours on the phone staying up to date. Ruth was a member of Cairo United Methodist Church for many years. She was a kind and compassionate woman who always made you feel special and had a heart of gold.

Ruth was preceded in death by her parents William and Erin Haynes,

husband Rufus D. Eblen, Jr. and her sister Karen Denton.

Ruth is survived by her son Paul Eblen of Henderson, KY; sister Anita Dawson and her husband Mark of Cape Coral, FL; grandchildren: Ava, Hadley, and Sadie Eblen; brother-in-law Bill Denton of Henderson, KY; nephews: Brian Denton, Kurt Denton, Matt Dawson, and Scott Dawson.

Relatives and friends are invited to Ruth's Life Celebration from 4:00 until 8:00 p.m. on Monday, November 27, 2023, and from 9:00 a.m. until the service time on Tuesday, November 28, 2023, at Benton-Glunt & Tapp Funeral Home in Henderson, KY. The funeral service will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Tuesday at the funeral home with Brother Joe Cox officiating. Burial will follow at the Eblen Family Cemetery on Pruitt-Agnew Road.

Expressions of sympathy may take the form of contributions to Cairo United Methodist Church, 13510 US-41 ALT, Henderson, KY, 42420 and Heart to Heart Hospice, 610 E Walnut St Evansville, IN, 47713-2460.

Arrangements entrusted to Benton-Glunt & Tapp Funeral Home, "A Life Celebration® Home". Visit www.bentongluntandtappfuneralhome.com to make online condolences.

Previous Events

Life Celebration

NOV 27. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Benton-Glunt & Tapp Funeral Home
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Tribute Wall

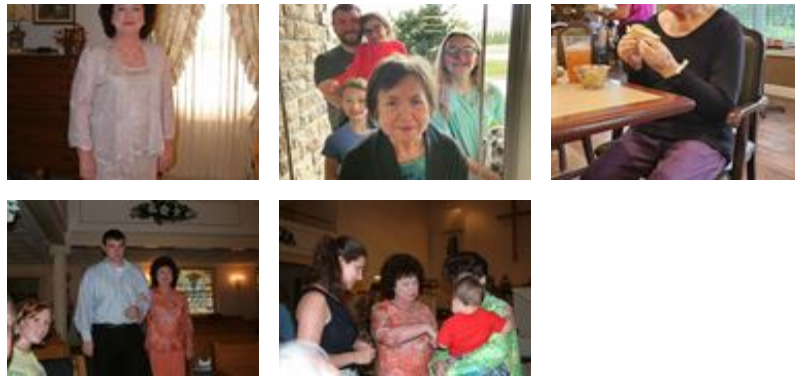
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“ *My heart is deeply saddened to learn of Ruth’s passing. My memories of teaching together at NJHS are fond ones. Ruth was an inspiration to so many of us. I appreciated her witty humor, admired her academic expertise and adored her for being kind and genuine.* ”

Sharon Voight - November 27, 2023 at 03:40 PM



“ *66 files added to the album Life Tributes* ”



Benton-Glunt Funeral Home - November 27, 2023 at 10:00 AM

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“ *We so enjoyed Ruth and Rufus’s company on a few Cape Coral boat trips. They are both such good folks!* ”

John & Alma Strother - November 22, 2023 at 09:15 AM



“ *Small Garden Dish was purchased for the family of Ruth Eblen.*



November 16, 2023 at 04:03 PM



“ *Jesse Littlepage planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ruth Eblen.*

Jesse Littlepage - November 16, 2023 at 04:03 PM



“ *I have lost a dear friend. Ruth was my classroom neighbor for years. We shared so many laughs, so many meals and so many adventures. It was impossible to be bored in her company. We shared the best of times, bu the fiend Alzheimer's stole extra years that we could have shared.*

roy pullan - November 15, 2023 at 02:31 PM



Thanks Roy. I have had so many things I have wanted to talk to her about. Broke my heart everything I wanted to call her and tell her something. She was my go to.

Anita Dawson - November 15, 2023 at 02:34 PM



I really enjoyed talking to Ruthy. She was a wonderful cousin and friend. We spent a lot of time on the phone. I also enjoyed visiting Henderson. We had many great times together. I will never forget her

Dee Still - November 26, 2023 at 03:44 PM