



## Ruth A. Kroepel

September 14, 1922 - March 30, 2016

Age 93, passed away peacefully on Wednesday, March 30, 2016 at the Linden Square Assisted Living Facility in Saline, MI. She was born September 14, 1922 in Scofield, UT, the daughter of Bernard and Hildur F. (Olson) Newren. She was the youngest of seven children. She had 5 sisters (Evelyn, Lorna, Afton, Aleen, Lucille) and one brother, Elmer. Her mother died when she was 10 years old. Shortly after her mother's death, she had a ruptured appendix and was hospitalized for almost 3 months. She spent several summers on her friends ranch after this to help her to regain more strength. When was about 5 years old, the family moved to Salt Lake City where she graduated from East High. She came to Ann Arbor, MI in 1938 to help her sister with her daughter. Here she met her first husband, Roy, and they were married in 1940. Shortly after Pearl Harbor, Roy enlisted in the Army. After basic training, he went to officer training school and became a First Lieutenant. During this time, Claudia was born in Baltimore in 1943 and Edd was born in Rochester in 1945. They lived in New York City in a Quonset hut in a neighborhood built for returning vets. In 1948 they moved to Detroit and here Waine was born in 1951. They moved to Dearborn in 1955 for better schools for the children. Ruth and Roy were very active in their Church. She served as the first young womens president in Michigan. He served in the stake organization. Roy died in 1967. Ruth then married Robert Kroepel. She was a secretary at Ford Motor Company for many years. She was very active in the Detroit Story League winning several awards for the service they

provided to schools and libraries. She lost her sight in the 1980's. Robert died in 2008. She then moved to Saline and lived with Claudia until 2015 when she moved to Linden Square. Survivors include her children Claudia (Ellis) McGraw, Edward (Lynn) Thomas, Waine (Lina) Thomas, plus 2 step-children Elisabeth Kroepel and Geoffrey Kroepel. Other survivors include 10 Grandchildren, fourteen Great-Grandchildren, and 2 Great-Great-Grandchildren. Ruth was preceded in death by her brother and five sisters. Funeral Services will take place on Friday, April 8, 2016 at 11:00 A.M. at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in Saline, MI. Burial will take place following the service in the Glen Eden Lutheran Memorial Park in Livonia, MI. Memorial contributions in Ruth's name may be made to the LDS Perpetual Education Fund. Envelopes will be available at the Robison-Bahnmler Funeral Home in Saline where friends may begin calling on Wednesday, April 6, 2016 between the hours of 3:00 P.M. to 8:00 P.M., on Thursday, April 7, 2016 from 3:00 P.M. to 8:00 P.M. and also at the Church on Friday, April 8, 2016 from 10:00 A.M. until the time of service at 11:00 A.M. To sign Ruth's guestbook, to leave a memory, or for more information or directions please visit [www.rbfhsaline.com](http://www.rbfhsaline.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Glen Eden Lutheran Memorial Park

35667 8 Mile Road  
Livonia, MI 48152  
<http://www.glenedenmemorialpark.org/>

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR 6. 3:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Robison-Bahnmler Funeral Home & Cremation Services  
301 E Michigan Ave  
Saline, MI 48176  
(734) 429-9760  
[rbfhsaline@hotmail.com](mailto:rbfhsaline@hotmail.com)  
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## Funeral Service

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APR 8. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints  
525 Woodland Drive  
Saline, MI 48176

# Tribute Wall



“ *Ruth A. Kroepel*

October 23, 2023 at 01:07 PM



“ *E Kroepel lit a candle in memory of Ruth A. Kroepel*



**E Kroepel** - August 15, 2017 at 01:21 PM



“ *I remember Ruth sharing a story in Relief Society about an apron and all of it's uses. A lost practice - wearing an apron. Wish I could remember all that she said and use an apron like my mother and grandmother always did! Practical. <3*

**Diane Irwin** - April 07, 2016 at 02:06 PM



“ *What a beautiful lady both inslde and out, I certainly know why my brother Bob was so attracted and in love with her. Thanks to her loving family for all that was given in care of both her and Bob. I will not be able to attend but will be with you in spirit. Please send me a copy of the service. I really appreciated the copy of Bobs that was given to me. Much Love, Lois Kroepel Gray and Family.*

**Lois Gray** - April 07, 2016 at 10:11 AM

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“ For a special lady. With all our love Patti and Dale Matteson purchased the Garden of Serenity Bouquet for the family of Ruth A. Kroepel.



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**For a special lady. With all our love Patti and Dale Matteson -**  
April 06, 2016 at 02:18 PM



“ We will always remember all the love and happiness she shared with our entire family and she will always hold a very special place in our hearts. We wish we could be there in person but please know that our thoughts and prayers are with you. Love, Patti and Dale Matteson



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**Patricia Matteson -** April 06, 2016 at 01:37 PM

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“ She was a real nice lady and I loved her very much. I am very sorry for your loss..

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**Sarah McNutt -** April 06, 2016 at 12:21 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ruth A. Kroepel.



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April 05, 2016 at 02:27 PM

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“ *LOVE ANNIE AND CAL purchased the Gift of Grace Bouquet for the family of Ruth A. Kroepel.*



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**LOVE ANNIE AND CAL** - April 04, 2016 at 10:47 AM