



# Ruth Ione West

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Ruth Ione West passed away on May 1, 2012, at the age of 80. She was born April 24, 1932 in Starbuck, Minnesota. Her achievements included being a school teacher and a member of the Alumni of the University of Minnesota. Ruth also was employed for many years by JC Penney in Brooklyn Center, Minnesota. Ruth was preceded in death by her parents, Thormod and Bertha (Schultze) Brevig, her sister, Adeline Foss, brother-in-law, Esten Foss, nephew, Norman Foss, sister-in-law, Marilyn Spudino, nephew, Tommy Brevig, sister-in-law, Carol Brevig, niece, Susan Schwendemann, son-in-law, Bruce Fischer, grandson, Andrew Lutz and her second husband, Jack West. She was an active member of the Lamb of God Lutheran Church of Estero and the Immanuel Lutheran Church in Starbuck, Minnesota. Ruth was a very creative and talented woman who loved the arts, music, and dancing. Her passions included reading and being dedicated to her children. She enjoyed watching Jeopardy. Ruth is survived by her first husband, Ibrahim Metaweh; daughters, Nadia Metaweh, Dina (G. Jeff Mitchell) Metaweh and Amy West Lutz; Son, Omar (Suzan) Metaweh; Sister, Dagny Schwendemann; Brother, Andrew Brevig; Grandchildren, Sally (Travis) Calander, Dina Lutz, Alex Lutz, Maria Metaweh and David Chong; great-grandchildren, Corbin and Haylee Calander. She was preceded in death by a sister, Adeline Foss, a grandson, Andrew Lutz and her second husband, Jack West. Formal services will be held at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Starbuck, MN. The date and time will be announced later as the information is not known by the family at this time. Online condolences can be made to the family at [www.fortmyersmemorial.com](http://www.fortmyersmemorial.com). The family is being assisted by Fort Myers Memorial Gardens Funeral Home.



## Tribute Wall

**Ruth Ione West**

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RW

**Ruth Ione West** posted:

Dear Nadia and family, I celebrate with you and all those who knew her, the life of your Mother who transitioned recently. May her memory live on and inspire all of us to live a life worthy of note. Prayers and love to you Nadia and to all of your dear family. Judy Judith Grant-Wilson

May 12 at 8:32 AM

AM

**Audrey Moskowitz** posted:

I am sorry to hear of the passing of my much admired and loved cousin Ruth. I will miss her newsy letters and the clippings she sent me from the Starbuck Times. She was a remarkable woman. All my sympathy to Omar, Nadiam Dina and Amy and their families.

May 8 at 9:35 AM

KS

**Karen Shrimpton** posted:

Auntie Ruth was a very special lady who was always alert and cheerful. I am grateful that several of my family members were able to visit with Ruth in recent years even though we are now living in China. Much love, thoughts and prayers to Omar, Nadia, Dina, Amy and your families. Karen & family (Tim, Esme, Robert, Jasmine & Kenny)

May 7 at 6:16 PM

PM

**Paul Montgomery** posted:

OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYER GO OUT TO RUTHS FAMILY I HAVE HAD THE PLEASURE OF BEING RUTHS NEXT DOOR NEIGHBOR FOT THE LAST 8 YEARS AND U WILL BE SADLY MISSES WE WERE ALL SO SHOCKED AND WE WILL MISS SEEING U AND TALKING WITH YOU REST IN PEACE RUTH YOU REALLY ARE IN A MUCH BETTER PLACE

May 7 at 2:24 PM

CM

**Cheryl Moskowitz** posted:

Dear Omar, Nadia, Dina and Amy, Ruth (who I always thought of as my aunt although I think technically she was a 2nd cousin) was a very special lady with a mind sharper than most people half her age. She had an extraordinary ability to hold onto facts stories and information about people, especially family which I was always very grateful for. She will be very missed. With love to you all. Cheryl and family (Alastair, Alice, George and Martha)

May 7 at 10:22 AM



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JH

**Jay And Lisa Hill** posted:

Our thoughts & prayers are with all of you. We love you, God Bless.

May 7 at 9:42 AM

SH

**Sarah And Matthew Haines** posted:

Omar and Family, We are so sorry for your loss. We are praying for you and your family. We love you so much and wish we were there to be with you through this tough time. We will see you soon! -  
Love, Sarah and Matthew Haines

May 7 at 9:35 AM

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Love, Sarah and Matthew Haines

May 7 at 9:33 AM

DF

**Donna Mae Fetterer** posted:

Nadiah, I am so sorry for your loss. You Mom was so far ahead of the times, and I always admired her independent life stile. Give my best to your family and let me know when you are having a memorial service. My Dad lives in Starbuck and I would love to attend. Donna

May 6 at 3:03 PM

MS

**Marcia Schlichting** posted:

Dear Nadia, My heart-felt prayers go out to you and your family for the celebration of life of your mother. May God be with you during this time. Love, Marcia PS. Your mother and I shared the same birth-date!

May 6 at 10:41 AM

DM

**Don Marsolek** posted:

Your Heavenly Parents welcome you home.

May 6 at 10:21 AM



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BA

**Beth Aaberg** posted:

I'm sorry for your loss, Ruth was such a wonderful woman!

May 6 at 9:10 AM

KA

**Kari Abbott** posted:

Thoughts and prayers are with Nadia and going out to her family.

May 5 at 5:18 PM

AJ

**Alan & Margaret Jessen** posted:

Nadia – we are thinking of you today and praying for your mother. Thanks for making this possible with your email and guestbook. Knowing you she must have been a wonderful woman who – it seems – moved outside the normal sphere of life in Minnesota. You are a true daughter of our Heavenly Parent and we are proud to know you as a sister and friend. May your burdens be lightened now and your road made smooth. ALAN & MARGARET

May 5 at 3:41 PM

KF

**Keiko Foss** posted:

I like to celebrate for your new life, I pray for your smooth journey to eternal peaceful garden and rest in peace.

May 5 at 3:21 PM

VB

**Vicky Larson Bergman** posted:

Since sympathy.

May 5 at 1:49 PM

DP

**David Allan Pundt** posted:

Hi Nadia-I'm so sorry for your loss but do know that she's with her Lord today, waiting for the rest of us sometime-cat lovers to join her. Greet your family for Carol and I and know that we'll be thinking of you as well as sending prayers for your healing and acceptance. David

May 5 at 1:04 PM



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**Kathy Fountain** posted:

Omar & family, I am so sorry for your loss. May your memories comfort you. Please know that you are in my prayers. Kathy Fountain

May 5 at 9:58 AM



**Delura Mitchell** posted:

My deepest sympathies to all the family of Ruth. I only met her once a few years ago, however I know she was special. May you be surrounded by GOD's love and comfort in this difficult time. Remembering you in prayers. Delura Mitchell

May 5 at 9:26 AM



# Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Ruth by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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