



Jacqueline Kay Ruff

November 27, 1937 - May 23, 2025

Here is the livestream link for Jackie's service. <https://youtube.com/live/liPfCPqQebY?feature=share>

Jacqueline Kay Ruff, 87, of Fort Collins, passed away on May 23, 2025, in Rohnert Park, CA, where she had moved to be with her daughter's family. Jackie was born in Fort Collins on November 27, 1937, to Harry Deines and Esther Wiedeman. She grew up on a farm in Timnath and graduated from Timnath High School in 1955. In her youth, she was a member of the International Order of the Rainbow for Girls, an organization created for young women whose fathers were members of the Masonic Lodge, and their friends.

Jackie married Olin Wayne Ruff on March 15, 1959, at First United Presbyterian Church of Timnath. After moving throughout the west for Olin's job with Holly Sugar, they eventually settled back in Fort Collins where Jackie worked for many years as a secretary in the Math and Science Department at Fort Collins High School.

Jackie loved cooking, gardening, crafts and visiting with family and friends. She also enjoyed home decoration, combining family antiques with modern decor. She and Olin spent many years square dancing in the early years of their marriage.

She is survived by her daughter Crystal (Brian) Smith of Rohnert Park; grandchildren Evan and Melia Smith; brother Duane (Virginia) Deines; and nephews Mike and Rod Deines.

A Celebration of Life will be held at 11:00 am on Thursday, July 24, 2025, at Timberline Church, 2908 S. Timberline Rd., Fort Collins CO 80525. Donations in Jackie's memory can be made to the American Diabetes Association, <https://diabetes.org/>

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

JUL **24**. 11:00 AM - 12:30 PM (MT)

Timberline Church
2908 S. Timberline Rd.
Fort Collins, CO 80525