

Gertrude "Terri" Burroughs, 90

Aug. 28, 1919 - Feb. 16, 2010

WEST HILLS, CA — Gertrude

E. Burroughs (Kotera) was born to Ward and Frances (Curry) Sutton on August 28, 1919 in Shelby and graduated from Shelby Community School in 1937. Terri was raised on the family farm near Shelby along with her five sisters, Roberta, Winifred, Florence, Berneda, and Bernice. She was briefly employed at the Shelby Post Office.

Terri married William J. Kotera in August of 1946. Three sons were born of this marriage, Kelly Kotera born 1947, Keith Kotera born 1950, and Ken Kotera born 1953. William Kotera passed away September 1964.

Terri married Gilbert E. Burroughs in February of 1967. Two stepdaughters joined the family, Debi Burroughs and Patty Vincent. Gilbert passed away May 1979.

Gertrude, who liked to be known as "Terri", loved ballroom dancing, dressing up in nice clothing, and meeting people. She attended Dundee Presbyterian Church in Omaha, NE. She also worked for nearly 20 years as an evening hostess for Farmer Brown's Restaurant in Papillion, NE. She was also active in the Red Hats Society in her last years.

Gertrude was preceded in death by husbands, William J. Kotera and Gilbert E. Burroughs. She is survived by sons, Kelly and wife Debi Kotera, Woodland Hills, CA; Keith Kotera and fiancée Kim Vawter, Bellevue, NE; Ken and wife Jami Kotera, Springfield, NE; grandson, Kash Kotera (son of Kelly Kotera), Las Vegas, NV; stepdaughters, Debi Burroughs and Patty Vincent.

Visitation will be held Thursday, February, 25, 2010 from 1:00 - 8:00 p.m. with the family receiving friends from 6:30 - 8:00 p.m. all at the Kahler-Dolce Mortuary, Papillion, NE. A memorial service will be held Friday, February 26 at 10:30 a.m. at the Dundee Presbyterian Church, 5312 Underwood Ave, Omaha, NE with a private inurnment. Memorials can be sent to the Nebraska Humane Society.



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