## Rose Astrid (Hanson) Allen May 5, 1927 - October 28, 2024

On October 28, 2024, Rose Astrid Hansen Allen, a wife, mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, and friend, passed away peacefully at

her home in Saucier, Mississippi with family by her side. Rose was 97 years old and leaves behind a legacy of love, adventure, and an unyielding devotion to family and community.

Rose was born in Newcastle on May 5, 1927 to Ella Toth Hansen and Carl Henry Hansen. She was the second of eight children; Bill Hansen, Jimmy Hansen, Lorraine Davis, Helen

Nicolls, Shirley Borgialli, Fred Hansen, and Jack Hansen. Grandparents Frederikke (Thobiasen) and Hans Hansen emigrated from Denmark to their homestead (Hansen Ranch) in Weston County near the Crook County line where her father Carl was born. Grandparents John Toth Sr. and Rose (Semsey) Toth emigrated from Hungary and were married in Michigan. Rose's mother Ella was born at Dietz.

Rose grew up on the Hansen Ranch and in Newcastle. A devoted student with a lifelong love of reading, Rose excelled in her studies and graduated as salutatorian from Newcastle High School in 1945. She was a member of Job's Daughters (Masonic girls' organization).

Rose met Ervin R. Allen, at a dance at the Roundhouse north of Newcastle after he returned from WWII service. They were married in the First United Methodist Church in Newcastle on October 21, 1947, where Rose was a lifelong member. They were married almost 72 years.

The couple first lived at the Allen Ranch then moved to the sawmill camp near Parmelee area south of Mallo Camp where daughter Kathy was born. During the blizzard of January 1949, they moved to Newcastle where son Dan was later born. In the 1980s, they bought the Baker Place, a mile north of Four Corners. In 2001, they moved back to Newcastle. After Ervin passed, Rose continued to live in Newcastle but then moved to Sheridan to be near Dan and family. Then she moved to Saucier to live with Kathy, Harvey, Suzanne and Apollo in August 2023 (four generation household) with Stephen and family nearby.

In early years, Rose and Ervin enjoyed country dances, roller skating, movies, and sightseeing in the Black Hills. They embarked on countless adventures filled with outdoor activities, camping, boating, hunting and fishing. Summers were filled with "wood parties" to cut dry "bug" trees and quaking aspen. Memories were made with travels all over the western US, Hawaii, Alaska and Canada.

After her marriage, Rose focused on homemaking and did various jobs for extra income. Later, she owned the Credit Bureau of Newcastle with daughter Kathy. In the 1980s, Rose worked as the County Commissioner secretary and Assistant Deputy to the County Clerk and retired in May 1992. She was active in her local and state community throughout her life.

Rose loved to keep in contact with family and friends through many hand written letters and cards, phone calls, or visits. In 2014, she published, "The Personal Memoirs of Rose Astrid Hansen Allen," 300 pages of stories and photos.

Rose is survived by her children, Kathy (Harvey) Dummer of Saucier, Dan (Becky Burleson) Allen of Sheridan; grandchildren: Suzanne Stafford of Saucier, Stephen (Geneva) Dummer of Biloxi, Mississippi, Marilee (Matt) Goodrich of Longmont, Colorado, Melanie (J.) Araas of Sheridan; great-grandchildren, Landon Goodrich, Max Goodrich, Apollo Stafford, Ethan Araas, Jonathan Dummer, Blake Araas, and Chloe Dummer.

Rose's family plans a celebration of life for May 2025 at the First United Methodist Church in Newcastle. Burial of the urn will be at the Boyd Cemetery.

Friends and family may sign her online guestbook and leave condolences for the family at WWW.SMFS.US Or mail cards to 14376 Campground Road, Saucier, MS 39574.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that donations be made in Rose's honor to the First United Methodist Church, 23 N. Seneca Ave., Newcastle, WY 82701.