



## Helen Capps Rondeau

August 1, 1924 - March 5, 2012

March 6, 2012

Helen Ruth Capps Rondeau, died Monday at the Briarwood Nursing and Rehab in Little Rock. She was born August 1, 1924, Newcastle, St. Francis County, Arkansas. She was the daughter of the late Simon M. and Irene Capps and was the widow of John Harcourt Rondeau.

She is survived by her sister, Sue Capps Meador and her nieces, Robbye Meador Taylor, Meredith Meador Karr and Allison Meador Alexander.

Ruth was an accomplished artist, seamstress and decorator, starting her career at the Gus Blass Company in 1950, where she met her future husband, John, in the Display Department. Ruth became a model and buyer for the Gus Blass Company. Later, she opened Personally Yours, a bath and boudoir boutique in the Heights. She enjoyed designing, gardening, traveling with her husband and dog, reading and music.

Services will be held Graveside, 2:00 P.M., Wednesday, at the Hughes Cemetery in Forrest City. The family wishes to thank Mary Mayall and all of the wonderful staff at Briarwood Nursing and Rehab Center. Also were very appreciative of the hospice workers who were so kind to Ruth. Memorials may be made to the Delta Area Community Foundation, P.O. Box 894, Dumas,

Arkansas, 72639 or the First United Methodist Church of Dumas, 230 Court Street, Dumas, Arkansas 71639, or the Pulaski County Humane Society, 14600 Colonel Glenn Road, Little Rock, Arkansas. Stevens Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. You may log on to [stevensfuneralhome.net](http://stevensfuneralhome.net) for the on line registry.

# Tribute Wall

SD

“ *Ruth was a good friend. We A appreciated hear talents as she helped us though the years. Sue and Paul Dean*

Sue dean - April 12, 2013 at 08:29 AM

BW

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with you*

Bee Wise - April 12, 2013 at 08:29 AM

EF

“ *Ruth was a very neat lady. She made a big impression on me as a child and adult. Your family will be in my thoughts.*

Elizabeth Futch - April 12, 2013 at 08:29 AM

MB

“ *We were honored to live across the street from John and Ruth for many years. We mourned the passing of John and now Ruth. They were very special to us and we will fondly remember them.*

Mike and Connie Brown - April 12, 2013 at 08:29 AM

LB

“ *We lived next to Mr & Mrs. Rondeau for the better part of 16 years. I was a child, but I loved going over to Ruth and John's house because it was always such a magical place filled with all kinds of wonderful things for a little girl to look at. We shared a huge garden with them in their backyard. My Daddy and John worked for hours in that garden with Heidi keeping watch on the perimeter. Some of my most memorable moments at home involve Ruth and John and they will be and are both greatly missed.*

Lori Burdick-Posey - April 12, 2013 at 08:29 AM

KB

“*Mrs. Rondeau was an awesome woman. Her and John lived right behind us when I was a child. We religiously climbed the fence from our backyard to theirs to go visit or work in the garden. There was always an element of whimsy about visiting with Ruth. Their home was so intriguing, I would sometimes get lost in there just roaming around looking at things. I remember one time when she made me some kind of ice cream dessert that was so delicious I ate it too fast and got a belly ache :) I sure miss the good ol' days and I miss John and Ruth. They have forever touched my life in a very memorable way. I will never forget either of them. God Bless the Rondeau's.*

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**Kimberly Burdick** - April 12, 2013 at 08:29 AM