

MARY E. CARUTHERS



McPherson College
Picture
1966

VISITATION

Stockham Family Funeral Home
McPherson, Kansas

Friday, April 20, 2012

3:00 PM to 7:30PM with the family receiving
friends from 6:00 PM to 7:30 PM

MEMORIAL DONATIONS

Memorial donations may be given to Susan G. Komen for the Cure
in loving memory of Mary.

APPRECIATION

On behalf of Mary's family, we wish to express their sincere
appreciation for all your kindnesses, evidenced in thought and
deed, and for your presence at this service.

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Mary E. Caruthers, 68, of
McPherson, passed away
peacefully on Monday, April 16,
2012, at her home in McPherson.



Mary owned & operated Mary's Boarding
Kennel & Pet Shop. Children were very
important to Mary, and that was her main reason
for starting up a pet shop. She felt it was
important for children to be able to have a safe
place to go to enjoy animals in a drug-free environment. She was also
a retired school teacher, having taught for a total
of 34 years, mostly in U.S.D. 418 as an
elementary teacher and reading specialist.



She was born April 13, 1944, in McPherson,
Kansas, the daughter of Lewis M. and Mary R.
(Stonebraker) Nelson. She was a graduate of
McPherson High School, McPherson College,
and Emporia State University, where she earned
a Master's Degree.

Mary was united in marriage to Randy A. Caruthers on April 9,
1971, in McPherson, KS.

Mary was also involved in the sale of fireworks. She had as many
as twelve locations around the area. Along with that, it was important
to her to teach children how to safely enjoy
fireworks, and she often presented programs on
fireworks safety.

Mary collected stamps, and got her nephew,
Walt, started on collecting them also. He still has
some of the stamps and albums she originally
gave him.

Survivors include: husband, Randy of the
home; brother, Charles Nelson and wife, Betty, of
Rio Rancho, NM, sisters, Myrna Eis of
McPherson, KS, Laurel Williams and husband, Larry, of Glenwood
Springs, CO, and Mabel Friesen and husband, Dennis, of McPherson,
KS; and several nieces and nephews.



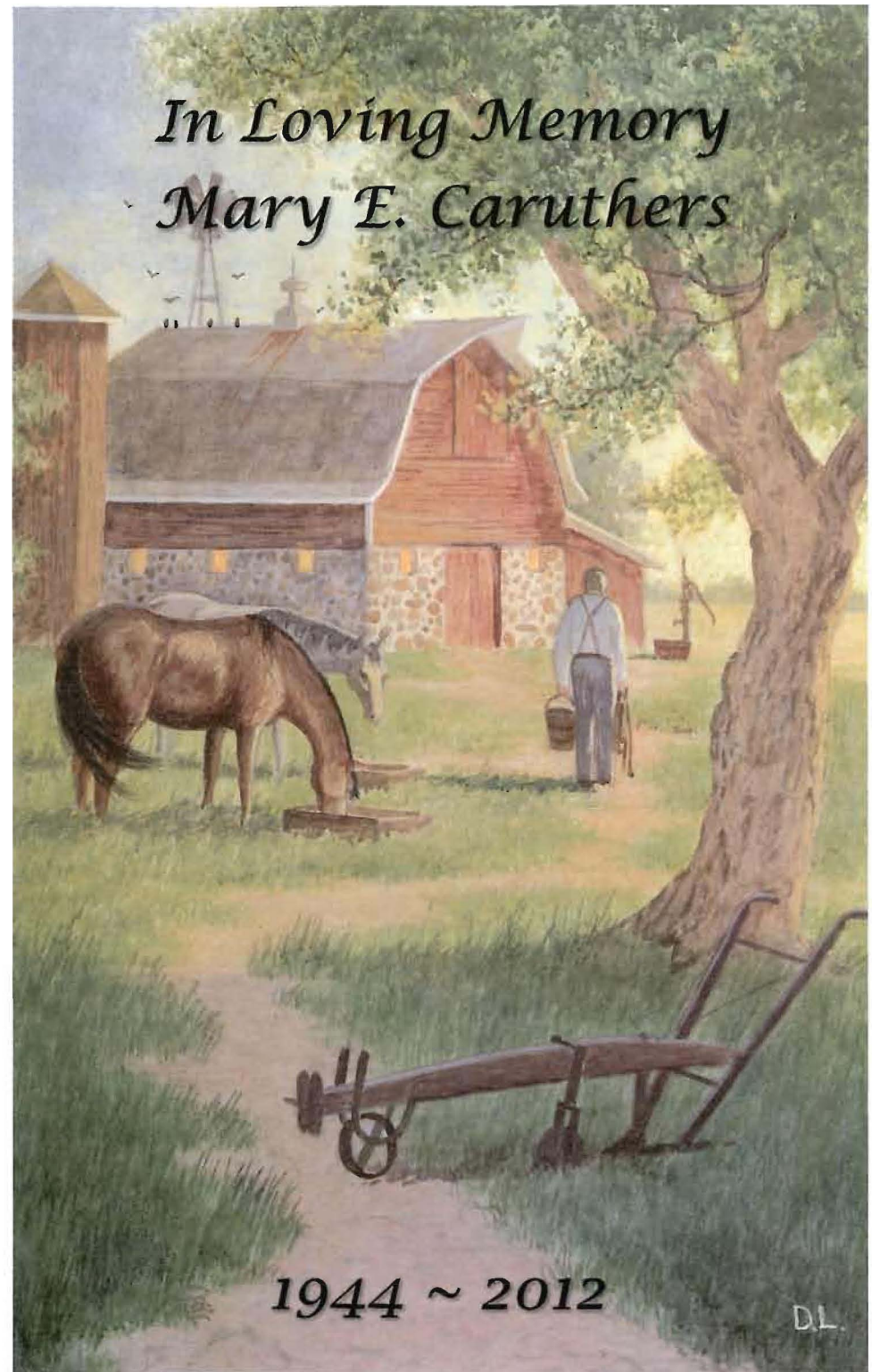


*Mary is my sister. She passed into eternity.
 Who was she? A lover of animals,
 She overcame many obstacles.
 Her biggest fight was cancer. Did she give up? No.
 She had her babies, to care for DOGS-PETS.
 I don't know who all has her dogs, cats, snakes, etc.
 I just know they came from my sister with LOVE.*

*I have a picture of her and my cousin Judy
 Holding a lamb, getting ready to show it
 at the 4-H fair.*

*You see in her face the love for her animal.
 The kindness she has for all God creatures.
 She is SPECIAL. She's my sister.*

*I LOVE HER.
 By Laurel Williams*



In Loving Memory Mary E. Caruthers

1944 ~ 2012

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