



## June Virginia Kennedy

April 1, 1927 - December 13, 2025

June Virginia Kennedy, age 98, passed away peacefully December 13, 2025, in Tucson, AZ. She was born on April 1, 1927, in Deming, New Mexico to James and Hilda (Frantom) McDougal.

She was active in The International Order of the Rainbow for Girls.

June attended New Mexico State University in Las Cruces, New Mexico and the University of Arizona in Tucson.

She married her high school sweetheart, Luther Eugene "Gene" Kennedy in May of 1947 who preceded her in death in 2023.

They moved to Elfrida, Arizona in 1948 and began farming and ranching. In 1952 they welcomed a daughter, Patricia and in 1957 they welcomed a daughter, Jill. In 1979 they moved to Sunizona, Arizona where they lived until moving to Tucson in 2006. June worked at Elfrida Elementary, Pearce Elementary and Valley Union High School where she set up the libraries and taught many students. June is survived by her daughters, Patricia (Joe) McDonald and Jill (Jerry) Ellis and grandchildren, Shannon (Jeff) Hildreth, Kimberly (Jerod) Watts, Joseph "Gene" McDonald and Paul (Melanie) Ellis along with 5 great grandchildren. Preceding her in death were her brothers James N. McDougal, Victor McDougal and her sister Katherine McDougal Shahan. She was a dedicated mother and especially loved her role as Nana. A Celebration of Life will be held at a later date.

# Tribute Wall

KB

“ *Karen Winkler Barnes lit a candle in memory of June Kennedy*



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**Karen Winkler Barnes** - December 20, 2025 at 12:03 AM

JL

“ *Julie (Stevenson) Laurence lit a candle in memory of June Kennedy*



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**Julie (Stevenson) Laurence** - December 19, 2025 at 10:39 PM

SA

“ *Susan Arbuthnot lit a candle in memory of June Kennedy*



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**Susan Arbuthnot** - December 19, 2025 at 07:13 PM

RG

“ *Ruby Gibson lit a candle in memory of June Kennedy*



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**Ruby Gibson** - December 18, 2025 at 11:27 AM