
Martin

Barbara Leone
(Brown) Martin went
home to be with the Lord,



Friday, March 27 at the Bob Wilson Memorial Hospital in Ulysses, KS. She was 90 years old, born February 4, 1925 at Larned, KS to Mary (Kimmel) Brown and Ned Brown.

Barbara graduated from Larned High School in May 1943. She married Richard A. Martin on September 20, 1943 in Amarillo, TX at the Presbyterian Church. Five children were born to this marriage, three sons: Richard and wife Gloria or Hugoton, KS, Steve and wife Sue of Greeley, CO, Ned and wife Debbie of Glen Elder, KS; two daughters: Judy Ratzlaff and husband Don of Colby, KS, Marianne Gepner and husband Mike of Cedar Creek, TX. She had 14 grandchildren and 36 great-grandchildren.

She was a homemaker while her children were in school and sold Avon. Then, she and her husband had the Martin Upholstery and Appliances store in Ulysses for five years. Then, she worked as the bookkeeper for the TM Deal Lumber Company for many years, until retirement.

She and Richard purchased land and built a cabin in the mountains near Westcliffe, CO and spent the summers there

after their retirement. IT was her favorite place to be.

Following a fall on Valentines' Day 2014, in which she broke her hip, she moved to the Legacy Nursing Home in Ulysses and was a resident there for ten month prior to her death.

She is survived by her five children, and their spouses, 14 grandchildren and 36 great-grandchildren, a sister-in-law, Harriet Brown, a brother-in-law and sister-in-law Bob and Evelyn Martin, and many nieces, nephews, and friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband in 2010, two brothers and two infant daughters.

Funeral service was Tuesday, March 31, 2015 at 2:00pm at the Methodist Church in Ulysses, KS with burial following in the Ulysses Cemetery.

Memorials are suggested to the Methodist Church, the Senior Center, the Legacy Nursing Home, or donor's choice.

Grant County Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.