

Goff, KS

Evelyn M. Henry, 85, of Goff, Kansas, died Tuesday, June 21, 2016 at the Eastridge Skilled Nursing Facility in Centralia, Kansas.

She was born in Seneca on January 8, 1931 to Francis H. and Florence M. Koch Feldkamp. In 1946, the family moved to a farm south of Corning she graduated from Bancroft Rural High School in 1948.

On November 14, 1949, she married Joseph "Joe" Henry, Jr at St. Patrick's Church in Corning. The couple initially lived in Albany, Kansas, then in the Woodlawn area, before making their permanent home on a farm northeast of Goff.

In 1954, Joe and Evelyn began farming jointly with his brothers Francis and Don, and later Jim. While they were busy farming 3,000 acres and running dairy farms, the opportunity arose to purchase the International Harvester farm implement dealerships in Seneca and Holton. On March 1, 1969, the brothers and their spouses opened Henry Brothers, Inc. in Holton and Seneca. In 1986, they expanded with a new dealership branch in Hiawatha. They have since sold their dealerships.

Evelyn was the proud mother of eight children, 23 grandchildren and 16 great-grandchildren. Joe and Evelyn celebrated 58 years of marriage before his death on March 23, 2008.

She was a member of St. James Catholic Church in Wetmore and their Altar Society. She loved to embroider and diligently and lovingly made a quilt, for each of her children and grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her father, Francis Feldkamp on September. 8, 1971; her mother, Florence Feldkamp on June 14, 1989; her sister Dolores Holthaus on February 11, 1996; and her brother, Donald Feldkamp on September 20, 2013.

She is survived by three daughters, Rosemary Henry of Holton, Kathy Scheid of Goff and Joyce (Kenny) Stallbaumer of Wetmore; five sons, Michael (Cheryl) Henry of Tpeka, Wayne (Brenda) Henry of Holton, Alan (Paula) Henry of Wetmore and Tom Henry and Jeffrey (Trudi) Henry both of Topeka; sisters, Marcella (Jim) Hunter and Shirley Steele both of Topeka; and a brother, Robert (Linda) Feldkamp of Topeka; 23 grandchildren; and 16 great-grandchildren.

Mass of Christian Burial will be offered at 10 AM Friday, June 24th, at St. James's Church in Wetmore. Burial will be in St Patrick's Catholic Cemetery in Corning. Rosaries will be prayed at 2 & 7 PM Thursday at Lauer Funeral Home in Seneca.

Memorials may be given in Evelyn's Memory to Eastridge Skilled Nursing Facility and sent in care of the family.

