

Hiawatha , KS



Helen Hendrickson Hjetland, 95, died Thursday, July 14, 2016, at her home in Hiawatha, Kansas.

She was born November 13, 1920, in Lone Jack, Missouri, to Herschel Byron and Bessie Faulkenberry Hendrickson. After living in Kansas City the family moved to St. Joseph, Missouri where she graduated from Central High School in 1939. Prior to her marriage, she worked for Westab in St. Joseph a few years.

Mrs. Hjetland was married to Raymond Herr on February 22, 1944. Sgt. Herr died on September 22, 1944 during World War II. On April 24, 1949, she was united in holy matrimony with Melvin Hjetland of Everest, Kansas.

Following her marriage to Mr. Hjetland, she spent the remainder of her life on the family farm near Everest and then in Hiawatha, Kansas.

Mrs. Hjetland was a member of the Upper Wolf Lutheran Church; and South Fork Extension Homemakers Unit. Mrs. Hjetland loved learning the computer, reading, and preserving family history for her children. As long as her health permitted she enjoyed going for afternoon drives, and watching birds at a local pond. She will be missed by all who knew her.

She is predeceased by her siblings Luella Hendrickson Maxwell, Herschel Francis Hendrickson, and Alice Hendrickson Liebig.

She is survived by her husband, Melvin; children Jerry (Joyce) Hjetland of Everest, Kansas, Randy (Terri) Hjetland of Calera, Alabama, Peggy Hjetland (Bob) Kaiser of Shawnee, Kansas and her nephew Bob (Cheryl) Hjetland, numerous grandchildren, great-grandchildren, nieces and nephews.

A Celebration of Helen's life is planned for 10:30 a.m. Monday, 18, at the Upper Wolf Lutheran Church, 1803 Sumac Road, Robinson, with Pastor Steve Evans officiating. Interment will follow at the Church Cemetery.

Friends may call at Chapel Oaks Funeral Home in Hiawatha after 10 a.m. until 6 p.m. Sunday. The family will meet with friends one hour prior to services at the Church.

Memorial contributions are suggested to NEK Hospice, sent in care of the funeral home, 124 S 7th St., Hiawatha 66434.