

Pawnee City , NE

Joyce Lorraine (Hefling) McAferty Spier, passed away on Saturday, February 4, 2017 at Colonial Acres in Humboldt, Nebraska. She was born February 25, 1937 to Ira Franklin and Gladys Rose (Anderson) Hefling on the "Home Place" during a snowstorm. She was baptized at the Federated Church in Mt. Hope, KS. She graduated from Mt. Hope High School in 1955. She attended the American Business College and worked for Security Oil Company in Wichita, Kansas.

Joyce married Robert L. McAferty on July 4, 1957. In the Federated Church in Mt. Hope. Three children were born to this union, Debbie Sue, Michael Lee and Tony James. They were later divorced.

Joyce worked as a bookkeeper for Wittwer Construction Company and then worked for Donahue and Faesser for 28 years. She also worked for Experience Works at the Pawnee Historical museum.

Joyce enjoyed working with stained glass, reading and taking care of her children. She especially enjoyed going to her grandchildren's activities.

On December 2, 1991 she was united in marriage to Robert H. Spier.

Joyce was a longtime member of the VFW Auxiliary in Pawnee City and of the Table Rock American Legion Auxiliary.

Joyce was preceded in death by her parents, Ira Franklin and Gladys Rose Hefling, son Michael Lee McAferty, brother James Franklin Hefling, husband Robert H. Spier, stepsons, Dale L. Spier and Larry J. Spier and former husband Robert L. McAferty.

Joyce will be greatly missed by her daughter Debbie Sue (Howard) Blecha of Table Rock, NE, son Tony James (Yvonne) McAferty of Pawnee City, NE, 7 grandchildren, Elizabeth Houk of Bristow, VA, Nicholas (Terra) Blecha of Table Rock, NE, Benjamin Blecha of Pawnee City, NE, and Rebecca Blecha of Kearney, NE, Mandy (Robb) Deters of Seneca, KS, Jessie (Jason) Drahota of Sabetha, KS, Karly (Bryan) Heidemann of Steinauer, NE, Nicole (Shawn) Hoffman of Kearney, NE, Erin (Devon) Maschman of Wilber, NE, Amanda Dyas of Kearney, NE, great grandchildren, Austin Houk of Bristow, VA, Neveah and Taelyn Blecha of Table Rock, NE, Conor, Westley and Regan Deters, of Seneca, KS, Macey, Kaden and Crimson Drahota of Sabetha, KS, Luke and Emmett Heidemann of Steinauer, NE, great grandchildren, Timothy and Elijah Hoffman of Kearney, Dakota Maschman of Wilber, NE, sister Mary (George) Dick, brother, Jack (Audrey) Hefling of Mt. Hope, KS, sister-in-law, Janice Hefling of Mt. Hope, KS, Lila Hergert of Indianapolis IN, brothers-in-law, Wayne Thompson of Tecumseh and John James, step children, Jeff (Teresa) Spier of Pawnee City, NE, Norma (Frank) Hamilton of Beatrice, NE, Theresa (Charles) Schneider of Beattie, KS, step daughter-in-law, Leslie Spier of Pawnee City, NE, 9 step grandchildren, 11 step great-grandchildren, nieces, nephews, cousins

and a host of other friends.

Services 2:00 p.m. on Wednesday, February 8, 2017 at Wherry Mortuary, 919 G Street, Pawnee City, Nebraska. Officiating Pastor Howard Blecha. Visitation on Tuesday, February, 7, 2017 from 9:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. with family greeting friends from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at Wherry Mortuary, Pawnee City, Nebraska. Interment at the Pawnee City Cemetery. Memorials to family choice. Online condolences may be left at www.wherrymortuary.com.