

Sabetha, KS

Ethel Agnes (Wilhelm) Baumgartner, 88, of Sabetha, Kansas passed away Friday, April 21, 2017 at her home surrounded by her loving family.

Ethel was born on February 6, 1929 to Frank and Amelia (Heinen) Wilhelm near the Seneca and Kelly area. She attended and graduated from St. Bede's High School in Kelly, Kansas. Ethel was united in marriage to Denzel Baumgartner on August 9, 1952 at the St. Bede's Church in Kelly, Kansas. Born to this union were 11 children.

Ethel was a housewife and helped on their farm in Woodlawn, Kansas. She was also a member of the Sacred Heart Catholic Church and the Sacred Heart Catholic Church Altar Society. Ethel loved working in her garden and doing quilting.

She is preceded in death by her husband, Denzel on February 12, 2014; a son-in-law, Bob Herzog; three brothers, Francis, Irvin and Vollie Wilhelm; four step-sisters, Dorothy Gray, Isabel Hamersky, Phyllis Phillips and Armelia McPhail; four step-brothers, Aloysius, Richard, Maurice and Francis Hamersky.

Ethel is survived by her six sons, Dwaine (Teresa) Baumgartner, Robert (Patty) Baumgartner, Russell Baumgartner, Dennis (Lisa) Baumgartner all of Sabetha, Kansas, Stacey Baumgartner of Springtown, Texas, and Paul (Sherry) Baumgartner of Falls City, Nebraska; five daughters, Elaine (Harry) Worden of Topeka, Kansas, Darlene (Duane) Briggeman of Surprise, Arizona, Jane Herzog of Huntsville, Texas, Mary Addington of Topeka, Kansas, and Shirley (Shane) Magness of Houston, Texas; a sister, Geraldine Schmelzle of Effingham, Kansas; two brothers, Marvin Wilhelm of Shawnee, Kansas, and Joe Wilhelm of Green Valley, Arizona; a step-brother, Vic; a step-sister, Christina; and 21 grandchildren, 19 great grandchildren, several step-grandchildren, and step-great grandchildren.

Mass of Christian Burial will be Tuesday, April 25, 2017 at 10:00 a.m. at the Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Sabetha. A rosary will be recited Monday, April 24, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. at the Popkess Mortuary Chapel in Sabetha with visitation to follow from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Interment will be made at the Woodlawn Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to the Sacred Heart Catholic Church, sent in care of the funeral home, 823 Virginia, Sabetha, KS 66534. www.popkessmortuaries.com