Lillie Marie (Colley) Blevins passed away July 1st, 2017, at Maple Heights Nursing Home in Hiawatha where she had been a resident since 2013. She was 97.

Lillie Marie was born in Troy, KS on February 7th, 1920, the oldest daughter of Wm Everett Sr. and Verlie Mae (Clary) Colley, who both preceded her in death. She started school in Troy a year ahead of others her age. When the family moved to the Highland area, she attended the Jeffers country school. She graduated from Highland High School in 1937. Lillie Marie worked as a cook at the Highland Grade School for a number of years.

Lillie Marie and Leonard Blevins were married on November 20, 1937. They were married 66 years when he passed in May of 2004. They lived and farmed in the Highland area for many years. Lillie Marie is also preceded in death by infant son, Eddie Wayne, a granddaughter Leigh Ann (Blevins) Twombly, sister Geneva Wagner, and a brother Wm Everett (Bud) Colley, Jr.

Lillie Marie was baptized and a long time member of the Highland Christian Church. She was a loving Wife, Mother, and Grandmother. All who knew her loved her sweet smile.

Lillie Marie is survived by four sons, Larry (Sharelle), Jerry (Carol), Mike (Pam), Jim (Patty) all of Highland, a daughter Judy (Owen) McCourt of Topeka; a sister Betty French of Hiawatha; sister in law Mary Lou Colley, also of Highland. Also she is survived by 22 grandchildren; 48 great-grandchildren; and 8 great-grandchildren.

A Celebration of Lillie Marie's life is planned for 10:30 a.m. Friday, July 7, at the Highland Christian Church. Burial will follow at Highland Cemetery.

Friends may call at Chapel Oaks Funeral Home in Highland after 10 until 4:30 Thursday. The family will meet with friends from 6 until 7:30 at the Highland Christian Church.

Memorial contributions are suggested to Church Memorial Fund, sent in care of the funeral home, PO Box 33, 66035.

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A special message or remembrance may be sent to the family at www.chapeloaksfunerahome.com