

formerly of Troy, KS

Bertha Marie Kanning, 97, formerly of Troy, KS passed away Monday, January 1, 2018 at Garden Terrace in Overland Park where she was a resident.

Memorial services will be held at 1:00 pm on Friday, January 5th, 2018 at the Becker-Dyer-Stanton Funeral Home, 800 Kansas Ave, Atchison KS. A visitation and reception will follow the service at the funeral home. A private family burial will be held at the Sunset Memory Gardens, Atchison. Memorial contributions are suggested to the Samaritan's Purse and may be sent in care of the funeral home. Condolences to the family may be left online at [www.beckerdyer.com](http://www.beckerdyer.com).

Bertha was born September 14th, 1920 in Doniphan Kansas. She was the oldest child born to Paul and Elizabeth (Ruhnke) Johnson. Bertha graduated from Weston High School and worked as a bookkeeper for several business and companies including the Doniphan County Clerk's office, Troy State Bank, Levin's Furniture, and the Lee Co. She married WC Kanning on March 7, 1943 who preceded her in death on June 15, 1987. They made their home in Atchison and Doniphan counties before moving to Overland Park, KS in 1966. She was a member of the Lutheran Church. She enjoyed sewing, cooking, playing scrabble, and dancing.

We're honored to pay tribute to our mother. She was a hard-working lady dedicated to her family. She never complained but always accomplished the job at hand. Her quiet demeanor never demanded praise or attention. But her children knew the "wrath of mom" if they stepped out of line. Your children are grateful and appreciative of all the sacrifices you made for us. We won't remember you for the "things" you gave us but teaching us the importance of a moral character and a good work ethic. We're grateful for your nightly prayers as you stood between our bedrooms teaching us the existence of a savior, Jesus Christ. We will miss your smile, rest in peace, Mother.

She is survived by her son, Dr. Larry (Amy) Kanning, Lawson, Mo, and daughters, Phyllis (Norman) Probst, KC, Mo, and Janette (Barry) Scanlon, OP, Ks. She was a grandmother to 7, great grandmother to 11, an aunt to numerous nieces and nephews, and a friend to many.

She was preceded in death by her parents and siblings, Louise Brown, Herbert Johnson, Lorene Vogt, and Edna Fitzgerald.