

formerly of Doniphan-Brown Counties, KS



Gerald V. Wagoner, 95, of Scranton, formerly of Doniphan-Brown counties, died Thursday evening, January 18, 2018, at Brookside Manor in Overbrook.

Gerald was born June 20, 1922, at Severance, one of three children born to Herman and Minnie Townley Wagoner. Gerald grew up near Leona where he attended country school, later graduating from Leona High School with the class of 1940 prior to attending Highland Junior College. Gerald farmed for 18 years near Leona before going to work for Streib and Son, a plumbing and heating business in Hiawatha for which he worked for 19 years. His last place of employment was for the Brown County School District #415, in maintenance, for 9 years before retiring.

Mr. Wagoner was a long time member of the Bellevue United Methodist Church, north of Leona where he had been very active through the years: song leader; Church Treasurer; Sunday school teacher; choir member and with Youth Fellowship. He also sang tenor in a quartet in the Church. In later years, he attended the United Methodist Church at Overbrook. Gerald enjoyed woodworking, stained glass work, and reading.

He married Margaret Sherman, June 20, 1947, at the Bellevue Church. They moved from the farm to Hiawatha where they lived for many years prior to moving to Scranton, KS, to be near their daughter. She survives.

Also surviving are two sons: Keith Wagoner (Sandra) of Bedford, Kentucky, Steve Wagoner (Jane) of Leavenworth; a daughter Phyllis Alcorn (Tom) of Scranton; Grandchildren: Jessica Wagoner, Heather Baker (Tyrone), Bryan Wagoner (Megan), Rob Wagoner (Angela), Venus Wilson (Chad), Wesley Alcorn (Mercedes); and eight great-grandchildren.

Gerald was preceded in death by his parents; two sisters Mildred Miller and Dorothy Streater.

A Celebration of Gerald's life is planned for 11 a.m. Tuesday, January 23, at Overbrook United Methodist Church, with Pastor Kathleen Whitmore officiating. Graveside services will follow at Pleasant Hill Cemetery, north of Leona, 3 p.m. Tuesday, with Pastor Jerry Petering officiating. The family will meet with friends one hour prior to services at Overbrook United Methodist Church.

Memorial contributions are suggested to Bellevue or Overbrook United Methodist Church, sent

in care of the Chapel Oaks Funeral Home, 124 S 7th St., Hiawatha 66434.
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