

Sabetha , KS

Mamie F. Beyreis, 103 of Sabetha died on Sunday, May 5, 2019 at the Apostolic Christian Home in Sabetha.

Mamie was born on November 13, 1915 to George and Margaret “Maggie” (McNally) Sausser of Corning; Mamie was one of six children. The Sausser moved to Seneca when Mamie was three years old. She grew up enjoying activities of a large family and attended Seneca Public School. Following graduation, Mamie completed the training course to receive her Teaching Certificate in 1934. She taught in a one room schools in Nemaha County from 1935-1943.

Mamie married Herman Beyreis on February 11, 1943 in Seneca. She attended Emporia State Teacher’s College and then Washburn University to obtain her degree in elementary education. Mamie and Herman moved to Prairie Village; where Mamie took a job in the accounting department at Western Millers Insurance Company from 1949-1956. Mamie attended Kansas City Business College and in 1957 and accepted a position with the Small Business Administration in Kansas City, Missouri. During her 35-year employment with SBA, Mamie was Executive Secretary to six successive SBA Regional Administrators. Her tenure also included service to two chairmen of the Federal Executive Board of Kansas.

Mamie served as hostess for several politicians, and through her involvement with the Federal Executive Board and her hostess activities she met Ronald Reagan and became friends with Senator Robert J. Dole.

In retirement, Mamie traveled with her husband to both Germany and Ireland and with the Shriners; she also enjoyed dancing, baking, cooking and entertaining. She loved attending the Shriners Rodeo and the Nemaha County 4-H fair, annually. She preferred to dress-up, including heels, wearing either all white or all black. Her favorite pastimes included going to the park in the fall and feeding the deer; and eating and shopping on the Plaza.

She was a member of the First Congregational Church and the Eastern Star Mendias Chapter No. 1 of Kansas City, Kansas.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband of fifty years, Herman; and siblings, George, Bill, Marguerite Blaylock , Helen Foltz and Bessie Droge.

A Graveside Service will be held at 4 P.M. on Friday, May 17, 2019 at the Seneca City Cemetery in Seneca, Kansas.

The Lauer Funeral Home, in Seneca, is in charge of the arrangements.