

Holton, KS



Marie Vietta Gunther, 90, of Holton, KS, passed away Wednesday, January 10, 2024 at Midland Hospice House in Topeka. She was born March 30, 1933 in Maple Hill, KS, the daughter of John Milton and Thelma Marie (Clark) Hedges.

Marie graduated from Denison High School in 1950. She was a lifelong member of the Denison community. She was a secretary at Denison Grade School from 1956 -1990 and a school aid at Holton Elementary School from 1990- 1998.

She was a member of Denison Bible Church; teaching Sunday School and she was treasurer for many years. She was also a member of Women- Missionary Society.

Marie married Clair F. Gunther on June 25, 1950 in Holton, KS. He preceded her in death on October 14, 2015; after 65 years of marriage.

Survivors include her daughter, Dixie Battey (Randy) of Sioux Falls, SD and her son, Bruce Gunther (Reggi) of Topeka, KS; brother, John C. Hedges of Augusta, GA; 6 grandchildren, Michael, Craig, Shaun, Jonathan, Lindsey and Joanna; 8 great-grandchildren, Mason, Tanner, Hudson, Declan, Graham, Elian, James, Sierra; 3 step great grandchildren, Robert, Fabian and Alondra.

She was preceded in death by her son, Curtis Gunther; daughter-in-law, Rogene Gunther; brother, James Hedges; sister, Peggy McCory; and a grandson, Ryan Gunther.

Funeral Service will be 10:30 a.m. Wednesday, January 17, 2024 at the Mercer Funeral Home in Holton. Burial will follow at the Denison Cemetery. Family will greet friends from 5:00 - 7:00 p.m. Tuesday evening at the funeral home. Memorials may be given to the Heart of Jackson Humane Society c/o Mercer Funeral Home, P.O. Box 270, Holton, KS 66436. To leave a special message for the family, please visit www.mercerfuneralhomes.com.