

Hiawatha, KS



James R. Moynagh, 90, of Hiawatha, KS, died at Amberwell Hiawatha Hospital on October 24, 2023 with his family by his side. He was born on June 10, 1933 to John Edward and Marie (Mueeting) Moynagh in Sabetha, KS.

After farming in Nemaha County, he and his family moved to Brown County in 1949 to farm and raise livestock. He graduated from Powhattan High School in 1952 and joined his father in the farming operation. James had a life-long passion for farming and shared that love with his family. Many memories were made showing cattle and being active in 4-H with his daughter.

He married Marilyn Bougher in 1967 in St. Joseph, MO and celebrated their 56th anniversary this year. They had one daughter, Teresa (Moynagh) Tosh.

While he loved the farm, James' favorite role was that of Grandpa. He treasured time with his two grandchildren and loved sharing stories and time with them, never failing to find an adventure for them. They loved spending time in the summer on the farm and attending the county fair.

James was preceded in death by his parents, two sisters, Mary Ann (Moynagh) Brune of Ankeny, IA, and Elizabeth (Moynagh) Playfair of Happy Valley, OR, and his brother-in-law, Harold Brune of Ankeny, IA. He is survived by his wife, Marilyn (Bougher) Moynagh, his daughter, Teresa (Moynagh) Tosh and husband Carl Tosh of El Dorado, KS, and four grandchildren, Kaitlyn (Tosh) Brod and husband Nicholas Brod of Tampa, FL, and Noah Tosh and wife Haylie (Schweitzer) Tosh, of Goddard, KS, brother, Dr. Pat Moynagh and wife Jane (Isch) Moynagh, Krum, TX, brother-in-law, Brian Playfair of Happy Valley, OR, and multiple nieces and nephews.

Mass of Christian Burial will be at 10:30 a.m. on Tuesday, October 31st at St. Ann Catholic Church, in Hiawatha. Father Dan Gardner will be the celebrant. Burial will follow in Mount Hope Cemetery. A Rosary will be prayed on Monday, October 30th at 6:00 p.m. at Chapel Oaks Funeral Home, 124 S. 7th, Hiawatha, followed by visitation until 8:00 p.m.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 10:00 Monday, October 30th.

Memorials may be made to the 4-H Clubs of Brown County, which may be sent in care of the funeral home, 124 S. 7th, Hiawatha, KS 66434, or of your choice.

On line messages for the family may be left at www.chapeloaksfuneralhome.com