



Funeral Service

Stockham Family Funeral Home
McPherson, Kansas
Monday, October 28, 2024, at 11:00 AM

Officiant

Pastor Laura Smith

Music

"Scars In Heaven"
"Children of the Heavenly Father"

Casket Bearers

Joseph Jennings ~ James Jennings ~ Justin Bacon
Scott Besecker ~ Dave Schmidt ~ Sean Wilson

Honorary Casket Bearers

Ruth Blosch ~ Beverly Alstatt ~ Marilyn Hendrix
Judy Nickel ~ Gail Potter ~ Connie McCue
(all members of Gently Aged Ladies)

Final Resting Place

Crestwood Memorial Park
McPherson, Kansas

Ritual performed by V.F.W. Auxiliary #2715

Memorial Donations

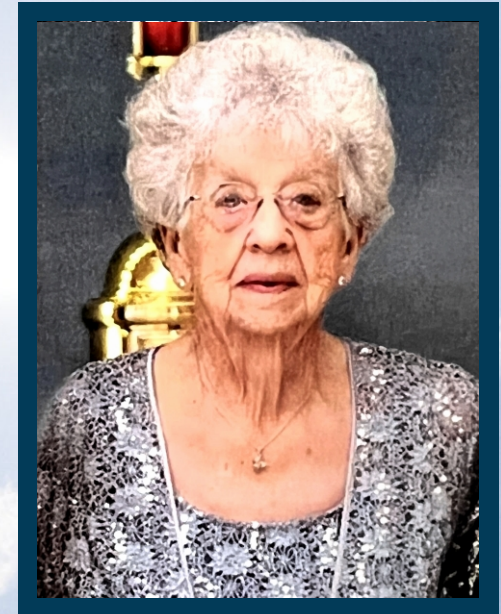
Memorial donations are suggested to Gently Aged Ladies or Pleasant View Apartments (Inman) in care of Stockham Family Funeral Home, 205 North Chestnut, McPherson, KS 67460.

Appreciation & Luncheon

Pearl's family wishes to express their sincere appreciation for your prayers and kindness, evidenced in thought and deed, and your presence at this service.

Following the graveside service, the family extends an invitation for all to join them for food and fellowship at V.F.W. Post #2715, 120 S. Taft St., McPherson.

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**In Loving Memory
Pearl L. Besecker**

January 30, 1929 - October 23, 2024



A Celebration of Life *Pearl Besecker*

Pearl Lucille Besecker, daughter of David and Mary Elizabeth (Schneider) Winter, was born on January 30, 1929, at her home near Lehigh, KS. She attended a country grade school near Lehigh and graduated from Galva High School. Pearl loved growing up on the farm and had many cherished memories of her early days spent there with her nine siblings.

She was united in marriage to William Albert "Bud" Besecker on June 17, 1948, at the Trinity Lutheran Church in McPherson. Pearl and Bud spent their entire married life in McPherson County, living in the towns of Roxbury, Canton, Windom, and McPherson. Bud and Pearl enjoyed many wonderful vacations together and travelled all over the country, including Hawaii. They often went fishing together and would share their bounty by inviting friends and family over for a fish fry. They were married for 65 years prior to Bud's passing on April 15, 2014.

Pearl was a devout Christian and was a longtime member of Trinity Lutheran Church and most recently, she attended the New Gottland Lutheran Church. She was also a lifetime member of the V.F.W. Ladies Auxiliary #2715 and enjoyed being part of the Gently Aged Ladies, which is a group of special ladies who make quilts and present them to veterans in appreciation of their service.



Pearl was well known for her ability as a seamstress and for her culinary talents. Many loved ones have been the recipients of quilts, peppernuts, butter mints, bierocks, chocolate chip cookies, and brownies, all made by Pearl's hardworking hands. She always maintained a large vegetable garden and would can most of the produce so it could be enjoyed all year long. Her flower gardens were quite spectacular, as well. She always said the secret was to save up rainwater for watering the flowers instead of using ordinary tap water.

Even though she kept quite busy with her numerous projects, she was always sure to set aside time to watch her beloved Kansas City Chiefs and the Kansas Jayhawks Basketball games. Most of all, Pearl loved her family. Preparing holiday meals and spending time with them were always near and dear to her heart.

Pearl entered peacefully into eternal rest on Wednesday, October 23, 2024, surrounded by her family at Pleasant View Home in Inman. She was ninety-five.

Honor *Loving Memory*

Survivors include a son, Robert (Peggy) Besecker of Benton, WI; daughter, Judy Jennings of Lakin, KS; son-in-law, Van Bacon of Canton, KS; grandchildren, Scott Wayne (Martha) Besecker, Amanda Ross, Jennifer (Sean) Wilson, Jolene (Dave) Schmidt, Justin Bacon, Jessica (Matthew) Boller, Joseph Jennings, James Jennings, Julie Jennings, and Jodie (Leighton) Werth; 11 great-grandchildren; and many more extended relatives and friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband; daughter, Pamela Bacon; son-in-law, Russ Jennings; seven sisters, Lydia Huenergardt, Olinda Meier, Esther Smith, Dorothy Converse, Helen Minns, Mary Jane Carlson, & Ruth Ann Dick; and two brothers, Albert Winter, and Robert Winter.

