



*"When your work has first begun,  
Never leave it until it is done.  
Be the labor great or small,  
Do it well, or not at all."*

*- Florence*

*Tibbetts-Fischer Funeral Home  
Belleville, Kansas*

*In Loving Memory Of*

## *Florence Martha Marie Elliott*

*Entered This Life*

June 2, 1921

*Departed This Life*

October 17, 2019

98 years ~ 4 months ~ 15 days

### *Funeral Service*

Wednesday, October 23, 2019 ~ 11:00 a.m.

United Methodist Church ~ Republic, Kansas

### *Officiating*

Pastor Lance Rundus

### *Pianist*

Mrs. Charlotte Seybold

### *Musical Selections*

*Prelude - "Precious Memories" album as recorded by Alan Jackson*

"Old Rugged Cross" congregational hymn

"In The Garden" congregational hymn

"How Great Thou Art" congregational hymn

### *Grandsons as Casket Bearers*

Scott Elliott ~ Chad Shearer ~ Chase Elliott ~ Andrew Shearer

Conrad Hoffman ~ Kent Smith

### *Granddaughters as Honorary Casket Bearers*

Brenda Smith ~ Laura Gatza ~ Lanae Davis ~ Jana Hoffman

Jennifer Orr ~ Shannon Funk ~ Natausha Dreher

### *Interment*

Lake Cemetery ~ rural Republic



Florence Martha Marie Elliott was born on June 2, 1921, to Henry and Rena (Steinmann) Hofts, and she passed away on October 17, 2019, at her daughter's home in Hays, Kansas, at the age of 98 years, 4 months and 15 days. Florence grew up on her parents farm, and enjoyed spending time doing chores and working around the farm. She attended Morehead Country School, then Republic High School, graduating in 1940. Following high school, Florence attended Kansas Normal Teachers training, and taught school near Republic. Florence married Howard Clinton Elliott in Salina, Kansas, on October 25, 1941, and to this union, five children were born; James Clinton, John Glenn, Steven, Howard James, and Jody. Florence and Howard raised their children on the farm, and Florence was an excellent homemaker. She was always making improvements to the family home, either wall papering, or painting, or new carpeting. Florence also enjoyed cooking large meals for her family and hired farm help. Sewing was also a hobby that Florence was known for, and she enjoyed sewing clothes for her family. Outside of the farm, Florence worked for the Depot Market for over 20 years, and she participated in Missionary Work in New Mexico. She was also a member of the HDU, Methodist Church ladies, and was involved in 4-H. Florence also enjoyed birds and bird watching, and spending time with her family and attending family events. She was preceded in death by her parents, husband Howard, twin infant sons James Clinton and John Glenn; brother Glenn Hofts, sisters Lena Banks, Minnie Sankey and Josephine Simms, and great-granddaughter Emma Drew Shearer. Left to cherish her memories are sons, Steve Elliott and his wife Geri of Gibbon, Nebraska, and Jim Elliott of Republic, and daughter Jody Hoffman and her husband Bill of Hays, Kansas. Florence is also survived by her grandchildren: Brenda Smith and her husband Kent, Scott Elliott, Chad Shearer, Laura Gatza and her husband Brent, Lanae Davis and her husband Jason, Andrew Shearer and his wife Amiee, Chase Elliott and his wife Natalie, Jana Hoffman, Jenny Orr and her husband Ray, Shannon Funk and her husband Heath, Natausha Dreher and her husband Ryan, and Conrad Hoffman. She is also survived by her great-grandchildren: Nolan Dreher; Lydia, Landon and Lena Funk; Jaxon Orr; Brody and Lyla Gatza; Steffen Shearer and his wife Taylor; Gavin, Bennett and Maren Shearer; Kanne and Kinlee Elliott; Brooks Shearer; Preston Smith and his wife Janna; Shelby Lowe and her husband Robert, Treyton and Sydney Elliott; Meadow and Kash Davis and her great-great grandchildren, Kyven and Leighton Smith and Elizabeth and Victoria Shearer.

# — GOING — *Home*

*Come unto me, all ye that  
labour and are heavy laden,  
and I will give you rest.*

MATTHEW 11:28

