



Willa Fay Babcock

August 6, 1927 - April 8, 2014

Willa Floy Babcock, 86, of Chanute passed away Tuesday, April 8, 2014 at the Neosho Memorial Regional Medical Center in Chanute.

Willa was born on August 6, 1927 in Erie, Kansas, the daughter of Ralph and Frankie Clemans.

She was educated in Erie rural school and Chanute public schools.

She was united in marriage to Warren E. Babcock on August 25, 1946 in Chanute. He preceded her in death.

Willa was a member of the First Baptist and Grant Avenue Baptist Church for fifty-three years, and also a member of Berean Sunday School Class and American Baptist Women. She enjoyed working in all church activities.

Willa was a lifetime member of Alcott School P.T.A. and RSVP. Cherry Street Youth Center was one of her favorite volunteer services. She served twelve years as Girl Scout leader and seven years as Boy Scout Leader. She enjoyed sewing and quilt making. Willa loved and cared very much for her family and many other children in her care over the years.

Surviving relatives include two sons and daughters-in-law, Rex and Jennifer

Babcock of Chanute and Jim and Pam Babcock of Robinson, Kansas; grandchildren Lynette and Rod Wescott of Arcadia, Kansas, Ben Babcock, Nancy Jackson, Ted Kihm and Buddy Kihm; great-grandchildren Leah Wescott, Kyle Wescott, Allan Jackson, Rob Jackson, Johnny Kihm, Dylan Geiger, Sabrina Burd and Ella Reed; and great-great-grandson Rowan Jackson.

Willa was preceded in death by her parents, Ralph and Frankie Clemans; husband Warren E. Babcock; daughter Leah Knetzer Babcock; brothers Olen Clemans, Charlie Clemans, and Ralph Jr. Clemans; and one sister, Doris Gosset.

Funeral services will be held at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, April 12, 2014 at the Countryside Funeral Home Gibson Chapel in Chanute. Burial will follow in Memorial Park Cemetery.

The family will receive friends on Saturday from 9:00 a.m. until service time at the funeral home.

Memorials in her name may be made to the Cherry Street Youth Center or the First Baptist Church and may be left with the funeral home.

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 12. 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (CT)

Countryside Funeral Home - Gibson Chapel
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Service

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