



Patricia Ruth Brothers

Apr. 1936 - Dec. 2016

LYONS, KS - Patricia Ruth Brothers, 80, died Dec. 20, 2016, at Via Christi St. Francis Hospital, Wichita. She was born April 8, 1936, in Lyons, to Walter and Twylah Mullin Swenson. A lifetime Lyons resident, Patricia graduated from Lyons High school in the class of 1954.

She was a bookkeeper for Williams Natural Gas, Bob Cundith Accounting, and Hutchinson Livestock. She also was the assistant to the Sterling College President.

She was a member of the First Christian Church, Church Pianist, Queen Esther Chapter # 32 Order of the Eastern Star, Lyons, Worthy Grand Matron for the State of Kansas 2001 to 2002, charter member of Peacemaker Quilt Guild, Honeybees Quilters at Fun N Sun Resort, San Benito, Texas, operating board Treasurer for Camp Wa-Ja-To, and former Leader of the Valley Bluebirds 4-H Club. On Oct. 31, 1954, she married Lyle Jay Brothers in Lyons. Survivors are: husband, Lyle of the home; son, Mike and JoAnn Brothers, Lyons; three daughters, Karen and Brad Malone, Manhattan, Susan and Curtis Tobias, Lyons, Tricia Brothers, Newton; sister, Kathryn and Fred Wilson, Manhattan; brother, Robert and Telva Swenson, Manhattan; nine grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents; stepfather, Harold Sauers; brother, Lyle Eugene "Gene" Swenson.

Memorials are to the First Christian Church, Camp Wa-Ja-To, American Heart Association or Kidney Foundation, in care of the funeral home.

Facebook posting by Sharon Cook: "We spent a week with Pat and Lyle in Kansas this summer (2016). I can't imagine what everyone is going to do without Pat: not only her family but her quilting guilds, the children's summer camp that she and Lyle were so involved in, her churches both in Lyons and San Benito and all of us who played cards with Lyle and Pat on Friday and Sunday nights. She is in a better place but those of us left behind, while celebrating her life, will grieve losing her. RIP, Pat."