Everest, KS

Marcella "Jean" (Bunck) Earp, 90 of Everest, Kansas passed away on October 15, 2016 at the Horton Community Hospital after being in a coma for 8 days.

She was born on June 26, 1926 in rural Everest, Kansas, the daughter of Herman and Marcelline (Hagel) Bunck. She graduated from Everest High School in 1943. After graduation she worked in St. Joseph, Missouri. Jean married the love of her life Harold (Bud) Earp on October 25, 1947 and they were married for 67 years. She was a farm wife until she started working a the Everest Middle School in 1968. She became the head cook and retired from the school district in 1990.

Jean was a great cook but baking and candy making were her passion. She loved gardening and raising roses and the many other varieties of flowers that were part of her yard. She was a member of the St. Leo's Catholic Church and Altar Society in Horton, Kansas. She was a member of the Everest Historical Society and American Legion Post 288 Auxiliary for many years and served on the board for the Everest Alumni Association and decorating committee for many years. As a farm wife she enjoyed the clubs she belonged to along with her Bunco Club.

Jean is survived by 2 daughters, Carol Berger of Lee's Summit, Missouri and Linda (John) Spangler of Everest, Kansas. Grandchildren, Tony (Margaret) Lockwood, Chris (Amanda) Berger, Jennifer (Victor) Fuentes, Lisa (Bob) Burns, Scott (Melinda) Spangler. Great Grandchildren, Aubrey, Nicholas, Santiago, Jessica, Paige, Justin, Devin, Xander and Sawyer. She was preceded in death by her parents, Herman and Marcelline Bunck, her husband, Harold Earp, brother, Jim Bunck and grandson, Jeffrey Berger.

Funeral Mass will be at 10:30 A.M. on Tuesday, October 18, 2016 at the St. Leo's Catholic Church. A rosary will be recited on Monday evening at 6:00 P.M. at the Dishon-Maple-Chaney Mortuary where the family will greet friends following the rosary. Burial will be at the All Saints Cemetery north of Everest, Kansas.

Memorials may be made to the Jean Earp memorial fund to be designated later and may be sent in care of the mortuary. A special message may be sent to the family at www.dishon-maple-chaney.com