

Potter, formerly of Severance, KS

Phillip Gene “Phil” Roland Sr. , 79, formerly of Severance, passed away at his Potter, Kansas home Thursday, March 16, 2017.

Phil was born January 2, 1938, at his parents’ home in Severance, one of eleven children born to John and Katie Foster Roland and had lived at Severance nearly all of his life where he graduated from Severance High School. He worked at various jobs during his working life: manager of at TG&Y in Kansas City, unloading grain trucks at Denton Co-op, and summers for the Noxious Weed Department for Doniphan County. He moved to Potter to make his home to be near his son in 2011.

He was a member of the Potter Community Church. Phil had served on the board for Oak Hill Cemetery, Severance for a number of years.

Survivors include six children: Marci Alexander, Phil (Mary) Roland, Randy (Deania) Roland, Jerry (Carrie) Harris, Tamara (Joe) Falvella, Sandra (Greg) Booker; a sister Phyllis Higley; 19 grandchildren; 32 great-grandchildren; and 3 great-great-grandchildren.

Phil was preceded in death by his parents; 6 brothers; 3 sisters, a grandson, and a great-granddaughter.

Funeral services are planned for 10:30 a.m. Tuesday, March 21, at Chapel Oaks Funeral Home in Highland, with Pastor Mike Jones, of Potter Community Church, officiating. Interment will follow at Oak Hill Cemetery, Severance.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 10 a.m. Monday where the family will meet from 6 until 8 that evening.

Memorial contributions are suggested to Project Concern of Atchison County, sent in care of the funeral home, PO Box 33, Highland 66035.

A special message or remembrance may be sent to the family at www.chapeloaksfuneralhome.com