

Wathena, KS

Norma Jean (Jones) Russell, 84, of Wathena, Kansas passed away Tuesday, October 10, 2017.

Norma Jean was born on Jan. 30, 1933 to Glenn R. Jones and Nora (Hartman) Jones in rural Doniphan County, Kansas. She lived in Wathena all of her life.

She was a 1950 graduate of Wathena High School and attended Gard Business University. She worked for Bartlett Mortgage Company and Vinyard Construction Company and then worked for the District Court of Doniphan County for 20 years, retiring as Clerk of the District Court in 1995.

She was a member of the Wathena United Methodist Church for 72 years and was an active member of the United Methodist Women. She was a volunteer driver for the American Cancer Society's Road to Recovery Program and a volunteer at the Wathena Keen-Age Center.

Norma Jean married Donald R. Russell on September 16, 1956 in Wathena. He preceded in death on June 13, 1995. She was also preceded in death by her parents.

She is survived by her daughter, Kathy Russell of Centennial, Colorado and her beloved friend, Robert Keifer of St. Joseph, Missouri.

FUNERAL: Saturday, October 14, 2017 – 10:30 A.M.

At: United Methodist Church in Wathena

Burial: Bellemont Cemetery in Wathena

Visitation: family will receive friends Friday evening 6-8 at the Harman-Rohde Funeral Home in Wathena.