## Rural Hiawatha, KS



Wilbur Leon Bindel, 85, of rural Hiawatha, died late Monday evening, July 20, 2015, at Highland Health Care Center.

Wilbur was born at Powhattan, June 10, 1930, one of three children born to Leonard and Evelyn Peck Bindel. He grew up near Powhattan where he attended country school prior to graduating from Powhattan High School. One of life regrets was he so wanted to serve his country in the military but at that time, the military would not accept the only son of the family.

He married Loudeen Darleen Wilson, January 10, 1954. They lived in Brown County until the summer of 1962, when the family moved to California, eventually settling in Lodi where Wilbur worked as an artificial inseminator for Curtis Breeding Service until returning to Brown County near Hiawatha, the summer of 1976. Wilbur was the Kansas City Star rural paper carrier for the Hiawatha and Falls City area, retiring at the age of 67.

Wilbur was preceded in death by his parents; and his wife Loudeen, February 20, 2013.

Survivors include his five children: Ron (Gilberta) Bindel of Hiawatha, Rodney Bindel, Brenda Bindel, and Stanley Bindel, all of Horton, Bruce Bindel of Lodi, California; 16 grandchildren, 25 great-grandchildren, and a great-great-grandson. He is also survived by two sisters: Rosetta Cassell and Joyce (Gerald) Adcock, both of Topeka.

It was Wilbur's request to be cremated with no formal service.

Private family inurnment will be at Mt. Hope Cemetery, Hiawatha

Memorial contributions are suggested to the Wilbur Bindel Memorial Fund, to be designated later by the family, sent in care of Chapel Oaks Funeral Home, Hiawatha. A special message may be sent to the family at <u>www.chapeloaksfuneralhome.com</u>