

Atchison, KS



Priscilla “Starr” Scholz, age 96, of Atchison, Kansas, passed away Saturday, November 9, 2019, at the Missouri Veterans Home, Cameron, Missouri.

Mass of Christian burial will be Friday, November 15, 2019, at 9:00 a.m. at St. Joseph’s Church with Rev. Jeremy Heppler, OSB as celebrant. Interment will follow at 11:00 a.m. in Leavenworth National Cemetery. Parish rosary will be recited on Thursday, Nov. 14th at 6:30 p.m. with visitation to follow until 8:00 p.m. at the Arensberg Pruett Funeral Home. Memorials are suggested to St. John’s Oratory, Atchison Hospital Auxiliary or the Alzheimer’s Association and may be left in care of the funeral home. Condolences to the family and memories may be shared at www.arenbergpruett.com.

Priscilla “Starr” Frank was born January 23, 1923, in Williston, North Dakota, the daughter of Henry W. and Rosanna (Pommier) Frank. Her father worked for the Burlington Northern Railroad, thus she attended 19 various schools. She was a graduate of Libby High School in Montana. She earned her Registered Nursing degree from Sacred Heart School of Nursing in Spokane, Washington.

Starr then joined the United States Army during WWII and was assigned duty as a Lieutenant at Baxter General Hospital in Spokane, WA.

She soon met Maynard Scholz, where it was love at first sight. They married June 15, 1945, at the Baxter Chapel. Later that year they returned to Kansas, where they bought a farm near Geary. After a near 50 years of marriage, Maynard preceded her in death on April 4, 1995.

Starr was an active member of St. John’s Catholic Church in Doniphan, and then joined St. Benedict’s in Atchison. Besides farm life, she cleaned at St. Benedict’s Abbey for several years and served as a nurse at the Atchison Hospital. She and Maynard were co-owners of West Lanes Bowling Alley, where she loved teaching youth how to bowl.

She enjoyed working with Fr. Angeles Lingenfelder at the old and present museums. While

there she helped compile cemetery directories and collected materials to complete Amelia Earhart scrapbooks. Visiting with Amelia's sister, Muriel, was enjoyable. She also worked at Aunt Pearl's Attic.

Starr took a tandem parachute jump for her 70th birthday! She supported her husband and sons in their love of flying and enjoyed card games, cross word puzzles and travelling; family and friends were her greatest joy.

Survivors include her sons, Francis (Nancy) Scholz, Mark (Julie) Scholz; daughter, Diana (Bob) Rooney, all of Atchison, KS; a sister, Phyllis Irvine, Yuma, AZ; eight grandchildren, twelve great grandchildren and one step grandson.

She is preceded in death by her parents, husband and her brothers, Charles and Sylvester.