



## Marjorie F. Potter

September 21, 1922 - October 20, 2011

Marjorie F. Potter, age 89 of Holdrege, formerly of Sumner and Kearney, died Thursday, October 20, 2011 at the Christian Homes in Holdrege. Funeral services will be Tuesday, October 25, 2011 at 10:30 a.m. at the First Baptist Church with Pastor Stan Murdoch officiating. Burial will be at the Ft. McPherson National Cemetery at 2:30 p.m. Visitation will be Monday from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. with the family present at the Horner Lieske McBride & Kuhl Funeral and Cremation Services in Kearney and one hour prior to the service Tuesday at the church. Memorials are suggested to First Baptist Church or the family to designate later. A message of condolence, tribute or memory can be left at [www.hlmkfuneral.com](http://www.hlmkfuneral.com) Horner Lieske McBride & Kuhl Funeral and Cremation Services of Kearney are in charge of arrangements.

Marjorie was born September 21, 1922 in Sumner to Jacob C. and Cassie Floy (Walker) Hothem. She graduated from Sumner High School in 1939. She attended Kearney State Teachers College. She then taught elementary grades at several on room schools in Dawson and Buffalo Counties.

Marjorie married William (Bill) G. Potter of Syracuse, New York on July 23m

1945 in Kearney. They moved to Syracuse, where she taught third grade and provided private elementary grade tutoring services.

In 1948 they returned to live on a farm they purchased north of Sumner, and Marjorie helped with the day to day operations of the farm. She worked in the Dean of Women's office at Kearney State Teachers College in 1958 while Bill was pursuing a teaching degree.

While in Sumner she was an active member of the Sumner Baptist Church, where she taught Sunday School and Vacation Bible School for many years and organized the children's choir. She also started a second hand store and organized an annual craft fair to raise funds for community projects in Sumner.

In 1982 they moved to Kearney where she was an Avon representative for over 20 years. She served as a volunteer chairperson of admissions at Good Samaritan Hospital for 22 years. In Kearney she was a member of First Baptist Church, where she was active in American Baptist Women, started and led the children's choir, and taught the pre school class on Wednesday evenings for many years. In recognition of her coordination of the church's annual Christmas Caring Tree program, Marjorie was the recipient of the Kearney Hub's Freedom Award in Religion in 1996.

Everything she did was done in a nurturing fashion whether it was cooking, gardening, sewing, teaching children, or volunteering. She passed a rich Christian heritage to all around her, especially to her family. She cared for and

inspired many and will be greatly missed.

Surviving Relatives:

Daughters Lisa and Dan Atchison of Holdrege, NE

Valerie and Rob Gwin of Kearney, NE

Grandchildren: Katie Atchison of Kansas City, MO

Sarah and Jesse Flanagan of Omaha, NE

Rebecca and Sean Puls of Kearney, NE

Matthew and Chelsea Atchison of Omaha, NE

USMC Corporal William Gwin of Kearney, NE

Great Grandchildren Rory Flanagan, Devin Flanagan, and Julian Puls

Brother Jacob Hothem Jr. of Sumner, NE

Sister Marie Kleiber of Denver, CO

Marjorie was preceded in death by her husband, one sister, and three brothers.

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