Obituary

Hazel Erhart, daughter of William Harmon Hampshire and Inez May Owens Hampshire, was born on March 14, 1905, in Garnett, Kansas, and passed away June 19, 2002, at Garden View Care Center in Shenandoah. She was 97 years of age. Hazel lived on a farm outside of Garnett, Kansas. She married Frank O. Erhart and moved near Talmage. Nebraska, where her only child, Buford W. Erhart, was born. The family lived near Nebraska City until 1942 when they moved to Shenandoah and Hazel lived the remainder of her years. She graduated from Garnett High School and then attended Kidder College in Kidder, Missouri, where she received her teaching certificate. Hazel taught school in a one room school house in 1926 in Bush, Kansas. January 15, 1927, she was united in marriage with Frank O. Erhart in Garnett. Following her marriage she was a farmer's wife. She taught part of a school year in the Shenandoah School system and also worked for Montgomery Wards Department Store. She was co-owner and founder with her husband in opening the 59er Motel in 1949, retiring in 1983. She was a member of the Presbyterian Church for many years, becoming a member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints in her later years. Hazel was also a member of the Degree of Honor.

Hazel was preceded in death by her parents, her husband Frank, four brothers, Leslie, Claude, Earl and Alan Hampshire. She is survived by her son Buford and his wife Edna; grandchildren, Randy, Patti, Barbara, Karen, and Frank E., nine great-grandchildren, three great-grandchildren, other relatives and many friends.

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