



Verda Arlene Harold Pirrotta

May 8, 1934 - August 8, 2017

Verda Arlene Harold Pirrotta, 83, of McPherson, KS, passed away at 5:30 p.m., Tuesday, August 8th, 2017 while in the company of family members, at Via Christi ,St. Francis , Wichita, Sedgwick County.

Verda was born in Aurora, Kansas on May 8, 1934, a daughter of Martha L. (Cain) and Clyde W. Mottin, Sr.

She attended the country schools in Junction City, Kansas, High School in Junction City and Grand Island, Nebraska.

Verda was a homemaker and she took great pride in providing for her family in this manner. She also worked for Duckwalls at the counter, worked for Phoenix Transformer Aerospace as an electronics tech, and retired from Central Plastics in the packaging department in 1995.

Verda enjoyed quilting, sewing, crocheting, and crafts of all kinds and was very talented. She also participated with the Red Hat Society, loved to cook, bake, and feed people especially her family.

Verda Arlene Mottin was united in marriage to Robert Lee Harold on December 31, 1951 in Missouri. Verda later married Richard "Papa" Pirrotta who preceded Verda in death.

She is survived by her children, Debra Winter and her husband Tom, of Wamego, Kansas, Micheal Harold and his wife Sandra, of McPherson, Kansas, Bobi Blanchard and her husband Robert, of Phoenix, Arizona and Charles "Chuck" Harold and his wife Jodi, of McPherson, Kansas; her brother, Terry Mottin, of Bountiful, Utah; her sister-in-law, Ginny Mottin, of Grand Island, Nebraska; her 15 grandchildren, Troy Elbert (Chrissy), Damion Swearingen (Melody), Amber Mangold (Paul), AJ Harold (Jennifer), Nathan Harold (Tracy), Eric Harold (Cassie), Jazmyn Miller (Mike), Rj Blanchard, Amy Lopez (Adam), Luke Cooke (Jamie), Holly Cooke, Nathan Winter (Sara), Josh Winter (Amanda), John

Ruddle, and Chad Ruddle; numerous great-grandchildren; many nieces and nephews, other relatives and a host of friends.

Verda was preceded in death by her parents; brothers, Clyde "Junior" Mottin, Arnold "Arnie" Mottin, and Warren Mottin; and husband Richard "Papa" Pirrotta.

Friends are invited to visit with the family on Saturday, August 19, 2017 from 1 to 3 p.m. at Glidden - Ediger Chapel, McPherson, Kansas.

Inurnment of cremated remains will be at the McPherson Cemetery McPherson, Kansas.

Memorials are suggested to the McPherson County Humane Society and they can be sent in care of the Glidden - Ediger Funeral Home; 222 West Euclid Street; McPherson, Kansas 67460.

Tribute Wall

BE

“ i was sorry to hear verda passed away. she was such a lot of fun / good friend and great neighbor. i probably ought to keep some of those goofy things we did to myself. anyway i enjoyed her and have many thoughts of her. wishing the family / friends precious memories and peace at this time.

beverly erichsen - August 17, 2017 at 02:56 AM

DW

Beverly thank you so much. It's very hard knowing this little pistol is gone. I'm not sure how it is going to go in the future without her but she was so sick and the suffering was great so she is whole and smiling on the other side now.

Debra Winter - August 17, 2017 at 12:52 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Verda Arlene Harold Pirrotta.



August 11, 2017 at 05:58 PM

LP

“ Hi Guys,
I was so sorry to hear about 'Mom'. I know she had struggled for some time, but now her pain is gone. Still it's hard, cause you will miss her so much! May God comfort your hearts as only he can do, and give you PEACE during this sad and difficult time. I love you all with all my heart.
Louie Potts Peterson



Louie Peterson - August 10, 2017 at 04:10 PM

DW

Thank you Louie - Mom thought a lot of you. We will miss her terribly.

Debra Winter - August 17, 2017 at 12:53 PM

BC

“ I was so saddened when I heard of Verdas passing. I didn't know her very long but over the past month I had grown to love her on our trips to Newton three times a week. Sometimes we talked about how our families were intertwined and sometimes we just drove in silence. Verda was a very special lady and I will miss her. My sympathy goes out to the Harold family and may God comfort you at this time

brenda carlson - August 09, 2017 at 06:12 PM

DW

Thank you Brenda. I have heard such nice things about you. You were a comfort to Mama as she struggled through the dialysis. Thank you for being there to offer words of encouragement and comfort.

Debra Winter - August 17, 2017 at 12:54 PM

DW

Dearest Mama,
I don't like that I'm writing to you via your Obituary but everything is cathartic right now in dealing with losing you and how to navigate through this intense grief. Since the end of March you have suffered so much and each episode took a little more of you. This last stroke took what you had left. I can't begin to imagine what you were going through those last days. We had no idea on the 8th as we gathered with the docs to form a plan to get you back to The Cedars that it would all change so fast with us losing you in a matter of hours. But I'm so glad we were there when you left this realm. We did it the right way, being with you. You know my greatest fear was you passing away alone in your apartment! We weren't quite ready to lose you but you were ready to go and we all told you it was okay - you were tired, so very tired. I'm grateful we had that great conversation the Sunday before your stroke. We covered everything that day!!! Now I get to talk to you all day long without the pesky phone!! I know you wouldn't want us to be sad, but we are and we will be. I don't think we women are ever ready to lose our Mommies no matter how old we are. Thank you for everything Mama, for always being there for me, for loving me through all my goofy errors in life, for being strong. You were a pistol that's for sure!! Whenever anyone loses someone they love there is always regret and I have several regrets, but, I love you oh so much! You are my Mama always & forever.

~Your loving daughter,

~Debra Lee

Debra Winter - August 17, 2017 at 01:08 PM