



## Esther Lucille Chilson

July 20, 1930 - December 25, 2015

Esther L. Chilson, 85, Topeka, passed away peacefully on Christmas Day at Aldersgate Village.

Esther Lucille Malloy Chilson was born on a farm near Corning KS on July 20, 1930, to Viola Fay and Francis Augustus Malloy. The family moved to Seneca, when Esther was young, where she was raised and lived until her senior year of high school when her parents moved the family back to Corning. Esther met the love of her life, Walter "Eldon" Chilson. Esther graduated from Corning High School and married Eldon on April 18, 1948. They later moved to Topeka where they raised their family. Esther was very active in her boys' lives, being a den mother, a block mother, and volunteering at school. In her later years Esther loved to play BINGO, watch her grandchildren play sports, and cheer on the KU Jayhawks.

Esther is survived by sons, Rodney (Susan) of Topeka, Scott (Donna) of Memphis TN, Mark (Janel) of Overland Park KS, Doug (Kelly) of Topeka; grandchildren, Shelby of Topeka, Emily Grabowski (Doug) of Bury St. Edmunds, England, Tyler of Topeka, Casey (Jennifer) of Nashville TN, Brooke, Nolan, Isabel all of Overland Park KS; one great-granddaughter, Stella of Bury St. Edmunds, England; sisters, LaVerne Colby, Barbara Bradley, Joyce Potter; numerous nieces and nephews. Esther was preceded in death by her husband of 60 years; son, Ricky; brothers, Calvin and Carrol Malloy;

sisters, Elda Rethman, Helen Tomlinson, Sondra Quinn, Genevieve Rethman, and Lila Henry.

Esther was fiercely proud of her Irish heritage and was the best wife, mother, grandmother, sister, aunt, friend, and neighbor.

A special thanks to the staff of Rolling Hills Assisted Living, Aldersgate Lincoln Neighborhood, and Grace Hospice for the wonderful care they provided the last five years.

Memorial service will be 10 a.m. Saturday, January 9, 2016, at Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home, 2801 SW Urish Road, Topeka KS 66614, with visitation one hour prior.

Memorial contributions may be made to Grace Hospice, 3715 SW 29th Street St. 100, Topeka KS 66614, or to the Alzheimer's Association, 3625 SW 29th Street St. 102, Topeka KS 66614.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 9. 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (CT)

Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home  
2801 SW Urish Road  
Topeka, KS 66614  
(785) 272-7888  
info@kevinbrennanfamily.com

## Memorial Service

JAN 9. 10:00 AM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall



“ Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Esther Lucille Chilson



Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home - January 08, 2016 at 04:33 PM



“ Esther Lucille Chilson

January 28, 2023 at 12:08 PM



“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Jennifer Chilson - January 07, 2016 at 08:06 PM



“ Doug so sorry for the lose of your mother. She was a great woman and a great lady to be around. Will be praying for you and Kelli and your family.

Pam Epperson

Pamela Epperson - January 06, 2016 at 05:17 PM

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“ 5 files added to the album *Esther Chilson and Family*



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**Susan Chilson** - January 05, 2016 at 09:57 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Esther Lucille Chilson.*



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January 04, 2016 at 08:16 PM

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“ *Pam and Lou Kreiser. Our deepest sympathy and condolences to the Chilson family. She will be greatly missed by all who new her. She was truly a special lady. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all.*

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**Pam and Lou Kreiser** - January 03, 2016 at 06:43 PM



“ *She was a cousin of my moms. I always enjoyed family reunions on the Malloy side and getting to visit with Esther. I also remember going with my aunts to play bingo at the Moose Lodge and visiting with Esther. She was a delight to be around and will be missed.*

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**Kim Hauser** - December 29, 2015 at 09:00 AM

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“ *I had the honor of being Esther's daughter-in-law for 39 years. She taught me many lessons about life, the most important being unconditional love for family and friends. Esther never met a stranger. When conversations turn to Esther people always comment how sweet or how kind she was. Esther was an incredible cook. Although I fix many of her recipes, they just don't taste the same as when Esther made them. She raised four wonderful boys. When someone uses the term, "Salt of the Earth," they are describing my in-laws, Esther and Eldon Chilson. They did not come any finer than those two, and now they are reunited in heaven. Love you and miss you. Susan*

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**Susan Chilson** - December 29, 2015 at 08:16 AM

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“ *Sending our deepest of sympathy to the entire Chilson family. I have spent the last couple of days thinking about Esther and Eldon and while my heart is heavy, I only have fond memories of them both. They were so much fun and they laughed a lot! I still hear her laugh-it was contagious. If you were feeling bad and went to see her-she made you feel better. We were lucky to know them both and their legacy lives on in you kids and grandkids. Love to you all. Becky Hilbert-Burghart*

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**Becky Burghart** - December 28, 2015 at 08:37 PM