



## Rita Best

September 17, 1923 - January 21, 2017

Rita Best passed away peacefully at home on Saturday afternoon, January 21, 2017.

Rita was born at home on September 17, 1923, in Topeka, Kansas, the daughter of Robert James Best and Margaret McCoy Best.

She attended Assumption Grade School and graduated from Capital Catholic High School (now Hayden Catholic High School) in 1942. In her adult professional life she worked for the Social Security Department.

Rita had a long life filled with family, church, cats, dogs, gardening, reading, antiques, casinos, traveling and researching family history. Her many nieces and nephews are much indebted to the information about their family ancestors that Rita spent countless hours and days uncovering.

A devout Catholic, Rita trusted in her God as was witnessed by her peaceful transition into the next life. She was also a gentle unassuming soul. Those who knew her became attached to her sweet smile and how she always wanted to try and please.

The last of her generation Rita was preceded in death by her parents and eleven brothers and sisters: Sophia Best-Evans, Robert Austin Best, Vernon

Best, Roland Best, Catherine Best-Berberick, Irene Best-Donnelly, Marguerite Best-Etzel, Mildred Best-Rees, Regina Best-Kent, Joseph Best and Rosezella-Best Appelhanz.

Rita's family will greet friends from 9 to 9:30 a.m. Saturday, February 4, 2017, at Mother Teresa of Calcutta Catholic Church, where a rosary will be prayed at 9:30. Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 10 a.m. at the Church. Burial will follow at Mount Calvary Cemetery.

Memorial contributions are suggested to Mother Teresa of Calcutta Church, Mater Dei Holy Name Church or to Helping Hands Humane Society, sent in care of Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home, 2801 SW Urish Road, Topeka KS 66614.

# Cemetery Details

## Mount Calvary Cemetery

801 SW Westchester Rd  
Topeka, KS 66606

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB 4. 9:00 AM - 9:30 AM (CT)

Mother Teresa of Calcutta Catholic Church  
2014 NW 46th Street  
Topeka, KS 66618

## Rosary

FEB 4. 9:30 AM (CT)

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## Mass of Christian Burial

FEB 4. 10:00 AM (CT)

Mother Teresa of Calcutta Catholic Church  
2014 NW 46th Street  
Topeka, KS 66618



# Tribute Wall



“ *Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Rita Best*



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**Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home** - February 02, 2017 at 04:23 PM



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January 28, 2023 at 12:08 PM