



Vivina Conway

December 6, 1912 - March 16, 2005

Vivina C. Reding Conway, 92, Topeka, died Wednesday, March 16, 2005 at Midland Hospice House.

Vivina and her twin, Vivian, were born December 6, 1912 to Leo G. and Mary C. Meyer Reding on a farm in the Sandy Hook area, southeast of St. Marys. She graduated from Immaculate Conception Academy in 1931 in St. Marys and St. Francis Hospital School of Nursing in 1934. She and Vivian were the first twins to graduate from the School of Nursing.

Mrs. Conway worked as a private duty nurse in Topeka most of her life and for the Veteran's Administration Hospital for 1 1/2 years. She played violin with a local orchestra, Purcell Players. Vivina delivered mobile meals for 8 years. Through the Red Cross's Retired Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP), Vivina was "Puff", of Huff, Puff & Stuff, a musical Clown group who entertained at nursing homes for 16 years. She was a member of Holy Name Catholic Church since 1941, the Rosary Circle and Altar Guild.

Vivina married Stanley G. Conway January 26, 1935 at St. Joseph Catholic Church, Topeka, KS. He died August 20, 1975, also preceding her in death, an infant daughter Mary Rae, November 1, 1943, her son J.L. Conway, September 13, 2003, her twin in 1993, and 5 brothers.

Mrs. Conway is survived by one son, James G. Conway, Topeka, KS; a daughter, JoAnne Berkey, Rossville, KS; six grandchildren, two step-grandchildren, three great-grandchildren, and two step-greatgrandchildren.

Family will greet friends from 5-7 p.m. Sunday at Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home, 2801 SW Urish Road, where a parish rosary will be prayed at 6 p.m. Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 11 a.m. Monday at Holy Name Catholic Church. Burial will follow at Mt. Calvary Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to the Holy Name Catholic Church Building Fund, 1114 SW 10th St., Topeka KS 66604.

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“ *Vivina Conway*

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