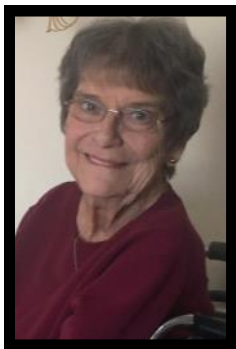


*Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name;
Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses, as we
forgive those who trespass against us;
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the
power, and the glory, forever.*

Amen.



Join us in celebrating the life of Rita J. Cowles

Wife of Michael
Mother of Michael, Michele and Marc

Entered This Life

August 10, 1939 Frankfort, Indiana

Departed This Life

April 26, 2018 Sharon Springs, Kansas

Funeral Service

Weskan Bible Church, Weskan, Kansas

Monday, April 30, 2018 10:00 AM MT

Pastor Tim Cress, officiant

Stacey Cox, Cindy Harold, Cindy Townsend, musicians

Interment

Sharon Springs Cemetery

Sharon Springs, Kansas

Casket Bearers

Kevin Ayers

Kenny Richardson

Randy Dinkel

Ty See

Derek Klinge

Brett Clow

Honorary Pallbearers

Kara Cowles-Parda

Brittany Cowles

Ashley Noark

Alex Noark

Ryan Noark

Teyahna Turner

Kaijen Turner

Memorial Contributions

Memorials may be designated to the American Cancer Society or to the Sharon Springs Public Library and may be left at the services or Mailed to Koons-Russell Funeral Home, 211 N. Main Ave., Goodland, KS 67735.

Arrangements are entrusted to Koons-Russell Funeral Home in Sharon Springs, Kansas.

For safety in procession to the cemetery, please turn vehicle lights on.

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Longtime Sharon Springs, Kansas resident, Rita J. Cowles, 78, passed away Thursday, April 26, 2018 at her home in Sharon Springs.

Rita was born on August 10, 1939 in Frankfort, Indiana to Harold C. and Hazel M. (Steen) Ashley. She was one of two children. As a child, she grew up and attended school in Frankfort, and graduated from Frankfort High School in 1957.

On September 18, 1959, she married Marion Michael Cowles in Sharon Springs. To this union, three children, Michael, Michele and Marc were born. She was a housewife and was involved with various activities and organizations throughout her life, including Order of Eastern Star and the Weskan Bible Church.

Preceding her in death were her parents, Harold C. and Hazel M. Ashley, and her mother and father-in-law Helen J. Cowles and Marion Asa Cowles Jr.

She is survived by her husband Michael Cowles of the home in Sharon Springs, her three children; Michael W. Cowles and Debra D. Collins of Colby, KS, Michele (Joe) Noark of Ballwin, MO, and Marion Marc Cowles of Ness City, KS; five grandchildren, two great grandchildren, and one brother William O. Ashley of Edinburgh, IN.