

From the Wednesday, November 26, 2014 edition of the Hays (Kansas) Daily News:

Norma J. Ferland, 88, Wichita, died Tuesday, Nov. 25, 2014, at the Harry Hynes Memorial Hospice Center, Wichita. She was born Dec. 10, 1925, in Zurich to Sylvio and Claranda (Burton) Thyfault. She married Raymond V. Ferland on May 1, 1945, in Zurich. He preceded her in death April 25, 1999. She was an elementary school teacher for two years and was co-owner with her husband and bookkeeper for Ray's Tank Service. She was a member of St. Ann Catholic Church, Zurich, and was active in the church altar society and other church activities. She was a member of St. Jude Catholic Church, Wichita. Survivors include a son, Donald R. Ferland and wife, Carmie, Marlow, Okla.; three daughters, Madonna Patterson and husband, Dean, Wichita, Janet Reed, Ellsworth, and Deborah McElroy and husband, Larry, Wellington, Colo.; a sister, Twila VanLeeuwen and husband, Rod, Hot Springs, Ark.; a sister-in-law, Anita Thyfault, Hays; 15 grandchildren; and 28 great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents; a brother, Kenneth Thyfault; and a son-in-law Marty Reed. Services will be at 1:30 p.m. Saturday at St. Nicholas of Myra Catholic Church, Hays; burial in St. Joseph Cemetery. Visitation will be from 5 to 8 p.m. Friday and from noon until 1:15 p.m. Saturday, both at Hays Memorial Chapel Funeral Home, 1906 Pine. A parish vigil and rosary will be at 6:30 p.m. Friday at the funeral home. Memorials are suggested to Harry Hynes Memorial Hospice or St. Jude Catholic Church, both of Wichita, in care of the funeral home. Condolences can be left for the family at www.haysmemorial.com.