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She was born Dec. 26, 1912, in Rockville, Mo., the daughter of Charles Ray and Laura Lee Hopkins Magee. She had a master's degree in education and taught school for 30 years from 1954 to 1984, starting her career in rural one-room schools in Kansas. She was a member of the Seventh Day Adventist Church.

She married Clark R. Lewis on Sept. 15, 1938. He preceded her in death on Nov. 28, 1998.

Survivors include two sons, Roger Dale Lewis of Edwardsburg, Mich., and Clark Raymond Lewis of Pittsburg; two daughters, Bonnie Coleen Young of Fort Scott and Anita Beth Sindelar of Mena; a brother, Charles Magee of Fort Scott; 19 grandchildren, 21 great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild.

She was preceded in death by a son, George Mahlon Lewis; a daughter, Leta Jeannine Coiner; a grandson, Jerry Thorne; three sisters, May Greer, Ila Magee and Mary Davis; and three brothers, Chester Magee, Glen Magee and Bill Magee.

Services will be at 1:30 p.m. Wednesday at the Konantz-Cheney Funeral Home, Fort Scott, with Pastor Arthur Schumacher officiating. Burial will be in Maple Grove Cemetery. Services are under the direction of the Konantz-Cheney Funeral Home.

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