Margaret Ellinor Cox, 97, died Sunday, Dec. 30, 2012, at Pioneer Manor.

She was born April 16, 1915, to Harry and Myrtle Alms Parker in rural Hugoton.

She married Harold Cox Aug. 6, 1939, at the United Methodist Church Parsonage. He preceded her in death

She graduated from Southwestern College at Winfield in 1936.

She taught business at a secondary school in Bazine.

She and her husband owned a Western Auto store. She was later began a farm wife.

She was a great 4-H leader, Sunday school teacher and was given the Woman of the Year award in 1986.

Survivors include two sons, Jerry Cox and wife, Sandy, and Jeff Cox and wife, Jo; daughter, Judy Hamlin and husband, Rick; 11 grandchildren, 26 great-grandchildren; and six great-great-grandchildren; a niece, Janet Stutz and husband, Jon, Hugoton; nephew, Jack Bryan and wife, Vicki, Rogers, Ark.; and daughter-in-law, Cheryl Cox.

She was preceded in death by her parents; one son, Jim R. Cox; a sister Ila Bryan; and brother-in-law, Earl Bryan.

o Funeral services were at 2 p.m. today at United Methodist Church, Hugoton, with the Rev. Harry Cross presiding.

Burial was at the Hugoton Cemetery.

Memorials are suggested to Pioneer Manor or United Methodist Church, Hugoton, and may be mailed to Paul's Funeral Home, Box 236, Hugoton, KS 67951.