

# THE SUNSET OBSERVER



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## Memories and More



Loretta Griffith was born in Saline County in 1937. “I grew up on a farm northwest of Salina,” she says. “It was the perfect place to live.” Loretta was the oldest girl of five children and had two older brothers and two younger sisters.

Loretta remembers the farm was hilly and she went sledding with her siblings. Sometimes they would lay low to sled right under barbed wire fences!

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*Loretta plays many games, including bean bag toss.*

The Saline River flooded in 1951. Loretta watched the water from their hilly farm. The flood eventually washed out a bridge, requiring the family to take a long circuitous route to school. “We drove close to 100 miles a day just to go to school,” she says. “It was water from hill to hill.”

Loretta knew her future spouse a long time before they ever dated. “His folks lived across the field from my uncle. I used to go down there and play with his sisters.”

Loretta and her husband were married for 54 years. While they were dating they talked about having four children--two girls and two boys. They did have four children, but three boys and one girl instead. Loretta was happy she didn’t have five like her mother.

Loretta’s husband worked for Coca-Cola and often worked long hours bottling and driving the truck. Sometimes he had to go up to Osborne at night. “I always rode with him because I didn’t want him up there late at night by himself.”

At Sunset Home, Loretta participates in as many activities as she can, including, bowling, bean bag toss, bus trips, socials, church service, dominoes, crafts, and painting. She says one of the best things about getting older is all her grandchildren and great-grandchildren.







## - June Birthdays -

Richard Anderson  
Shae Mizner

# Spotlight on Becky Smith

*Certified Nursing Assistant*



**What's your favorite family tradition?**

Family reunions!

**If you could have dinner with one person, living or dead, who would they be and why?** Sam Elliott because he has been my idol for a long time.

**What are your hobbies or collections?**

I used to embroider a lot and make baby quilts and sell them.

**What was the most memorable concert you ever went to?**

Diamond Rio and Sammie Kershaw at the State Fair.

**What's your favorite memory from the past year?** Winning \$10,000 at the casino.

*Becky makes adorable die-cut magnets!*





# Nursing Home Week

We had a blast celebrating Nursing Home Week--May 8-14, 2022. We tie-dyed, had a visit from the CARES dogs, barbequed, and had lots of delicious treats.





# June Activities



**Mondays - 8-9:30 am**

Coffee Groups-open to all!

**Wednesdays - 10:30 am**

Church Services

**June 3 - 2:00 pm**

Special Music

**June 11 - 1:30 pm**

Father Son Sundaes



**June 14 - 2:00 pm**

Strawberry Shortcakes

**June 17 - BBQ Lunch**

**June 21 - 2:00 pm**

Homemade Ice Cream

**June 23 - 10:00 am**

To the Movies! *Boss Baby*

**June 24 - Kids Camp**



## Hello, New Residents



**Ronnie Joyner**  
Concordia, KS

Ronnie worked for Abram Ready-Mix for 33 years. He loved to fish in the Republican River and once caught a 9-lb flathead.



**Richard Anderson**  
Jamestown, KS

Richard loves watching baseball, basketball and football. He has four kids and his sons run the farm.

# summer



**1:00 pm!**

**crafts & snacks**

June 9th - Red, White, & Blue  
June 30th - Potato Masher Ice Cream



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SENIOR CENTER!**

*Join Us!*

## Open House

**FRIDAYS, 2-4 PM**

<b>June 3</b>	<b>July 15</b>
<b>June 24</b>	<b>July 22</b>
<b>July 1</b>	<b>July 29</b>

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