CAROLINE VENETTA (MARTI) BANWART

SABETHA, Kan. — Services will be held at 10 a.m. Monday, June 5, at the Apostolic Christian Church near Lamar, for Caroline Venetta (Marti) Banwart, 97, Sabetha, who died at 11:15 p.m. Wednesday, May 31, 2006, at the Apostolic Christian Home in Sabetha. Burial will follow at the Apostolic Christian Cemetery.

Pallbearers will be Alfred Banwart, Jonathan Banwart, Brad Strahm, David Edelman, Joshua Strahm and Ryan Strahm.

Visitation will be held from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Sunday, at Konantz-Warden Funeral

Home, Lamar.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Apostolic Christian Church, in care of the funeral home.

Survivors include a daughter, Eileen Marie Braker and husband Don, Overland Park, Kan.: a son, Alfred Lee Banwart and wife Carolyn, Lamar, Mo.; five granddaughters, Lynn Bennett and husband Jeff, Tokyo, Japan, Michelle Strahm and husband Brad, Sheri Edelman and husband David, and Ulista Banwart, all of Sabetha, and Venetta Banwart, Lamar, Mo.; a grandson, Jonathan Banwart and wife Beth, Jasper, Mo., and seven great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by two sisters, Ulista and Marie, and a daughter-in-law, Charlotte Banwart.

Mrs. Banwart was born Oct. 13, 1908, in Barton County near Lamar, Mo., to Alfred Ernest and Bertha Clara (Lehman) Marti. She attended the Rose Branch Country School through ninth grade. In 1933, she worked in Chicago, Ill., as a housekeeper. On July 22, 1989, she moved to the Apostolic Christian Retirement Village in Sabetha. November of 2001, she became a resident of the Apostolic Christian Home in Sabetha. She was baptized July 15, 1951, at the Apostolic Christian Church in Lamar, Mo.

She married Oscar Banwart on Dec. 25, 1934, in Lamar, Mo. He died in 1977.