## Kansas Memory



## Anna Marie Germonprez DeDonder

This is a portrait of Anna Marie Germonprez DeDonder (1889-1982). Anna Marie Germonprez was born May 13, 1889, the daughter of Louis (June 20, 1852-Sept. 2, 1926) and Emma Sobrie Germonprez (Aug. 8, 1851-Mar. 12, 1933). The elder Germonprezes came to Shawnee County from Belgium about 1883 and settled on 80 acres in Rossville Township, section 24, just southeast of St. Mary's, Kansas in the area known as "Sandy Hook." On Jan. 10, 1912 Anna Germonprez married Francis Philippi DeDonder, whose family lived on a neighboring farm. Francis and Anna moved onto the DeDonder family farm at Sandy Hook, which they rented from Francis' father. After her husband's death in 1931, Anna DeDonder continued to farm the Sandy Hook land with the help of her son Philip Vital (July 25, 1917-Jan. 10, 1992). Anna died in St. Mary's on May 29, 1982, at the age of 93.

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