



Barbara Jane (Smith) Mielke

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Mielke, Barbara Jane (Smith) age 97, of Robbinsdale Lee Square, died peacefully at Colonial Acres Health Care on 12/11/2017. Preceded in death by husband, DeLoyd of 51 years; sister, Betty Carlson, son-in-law Herbert Doering 6 Doering great-grandchildren, Benjamin, Nicolas, Katelyn, Michael, Linnea and Margaret. Survived by daughters Judith (Doering) Crosby (Steven) and Carol Bradley (James). Grandchildren: Daryl Doering (Elizabeth), William Doering (Anita), Jaime Fipp (Joseph) and Erin Bradley (Kevin Mahan); great-grandchildren, Anne Doering (Matt Kruger), Ellen Doering, Max Doering, Genna Mahan, Thomas Fipp, Cooper Mahan, Esther Fipp and nephew Tom Carlson. Long time resident of North Mpls. Retired from Dayton's Computer Room at age 65 and spent the next 25 years volunteering in the dialysis unit at the Mpls V. A. Hospital. Also served on Veterans Blood Promotion Committee at VAMC and visited nursing and veteran homes. Has been an active lifetime member/officer of Kaniewski-Loss VFW, Kraus-Hartig VFW and Lucky Leven MOC Auxiliary #71. Knitted caps and mittens for hundreds of children, seafaring sailors docking in Duluth and soldiers in Afghanistan. She lived independently until her recent decline in health. She and her husband DeLoyd set an outstanding example of how to serve others and honor the U.S. Flag. Private graveside service. Thank you to nurses, doctors and hospice workers at United Methodist Hospital (St. Louis Park), Colonial Acres of Golden Valley and her favorite Dr. Anthony Woolley.