



Doris M. Lay

August 11, 1918 - December 27, 2015

Age 97, of Shoreview, MN, died December 27, 2015. Formerly of Denver, CO. Born August 11, 1918, to Jefferson Davis and Betty Mae (Barrett) Cammer of Cameron, Texas. Predeceased by her parents, by brother Jefferson Barrett Cammer, and by husband of 63 years, Charles H. Lay. Survived by son Patrick Lay (Suzanne Arata) of Chicago, daughter Mary Schuster (Slade) of Arden Hills, MN, and granddaughter Rebecca Lay of New York City.

Doris graduated from high school in 1935 and nursing school in 1938. As a registered nurse, she served in the Veterans Administration Hospital in St. Louis, MO, where she met and married Charles in 1941. Son Patrick was born in San Francisco, CA, in 1943. Shortly afterward, Charles joined the Army Air Corps where he completed training to become a bombardier. After World War II, the family moved to Denver, CO, where daughter Mary was born in 1945. Doris engaged in a number of volunteer activities, including the League of Women Voters, the Hospice Foundation of American, and the Colorado Psychiatric Hospital. She also decided to fulfill two of her dreams: becoming an artist and gaining a college degree. She took art classes locally, creating in various media such as watercolor and clay, and she completed her BA degree in art history in 1987 from Metropolitan State University of Denver, earning an award from the American Association of University Women.

After Charles died in 2005, Doris moved to Shoreview, MN, where she lived at Scandia Shores, continuing her volunteer work both at her residence and at Turtle Lake Elementary School as a "Reading Buddy." Most of all, she loved

and supported her family and will be deeply missed.

Memorial service will be held on Sunday, January 31 at 3:00PM (gathering begins at 2:00PM) at Holcomb-Henry-Boom-Purcell Funeral Home, 515 Highway 96, Shoreview, MN 55126. Memorials preferred to the American Cancer Society or the Animal Humane Society.

Tribute Wall

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“ I am sorry to hear of the loss of your dear loved one, please accept my condolences during this painful time. Losing a loved one is distressing and as comfort is needed from family and friends, it is my hope your family will find comforting the promise at Isaiah 25:8 where we are assured that soon "death will be swallowed up forever." It is my hope your family will find the strength to endure during the days ahead.

D.C. Phillips - December 31, 2015 at 12:00 AM