



Helen Tatarka

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Tatarka, Helen E. Born 12/4/1919 daughter of Carl and Johanna Tatarka, a lifetime resident of Hopkins. Helen received her RN from St. Mary's Hospital in Minneapolis and received her Bachelor of Science degree in Public Health Nursing from the University of Minnesota. She was a member of Alpha Tau Delta, a professional nurses sorority. Helen served in the US Army Nurse Corps as a Captain in Europe during World War II with the 187th hospital unit in England. When in Biarritz, France, she received the award of "Miss Atomic" in a beauty contest and appeared in Newsweek. She was employed by the Veterans Administration for many years, first in Fargo, North Dakota and then at Fort Snelling. Helen was active with the Hopkins Historical Society. Preceded in death by parents; sisters, Mary Zeman, Ann Tatarka and Emily Tatarka. Survived by sister, Jean Delfendahl; nephew, Robert Zeman; nieces, Anne Blevins & family and Jane Delfendahl. Mass of Christian Burial 10 AM Saturday, Nov. 19 at The Church of St. Joseph, 1310 Mainstreet, Hopkins. Interment St. Margaret's Cemetery. Remembrances if so desired to St. Joseph's chapel fund. Washburn-McReavy Strobeck Johnson Chapel 952.938.9020