



Marie T. Bebe Staub

July 2, 2013

Staub, Marie T. "Bebe" Bebe, at age 92, died in Mahtomedi on 2 July surrounded by her loving family. She was born 12 Oct 1920 in Jefferson City MO to parents Henry and Helen Westhues. Bebe was the second of seven children: Rosemary, Jack, Marjorie, Jane, Elaine, and Marilyn. She graduated from St. Mary's College in Leavenworth, KS and taught in Eugene MO. In 1951, Bebe met Henry P. Staub, a medical officer stationed at Fort Leonard Wood. They married later that year. Bebe and Henry shared a love of family, faith, humor, and adventure. For two years they lived in Germany where Henry was stationed and daughter Doris was born. When Henry finished his Army service, they lived in NE Minneapolis and over the years Doris was joined by five more daughters. In 1970 the family moved to Buffalo, NY. Naoko Ikoma (Koizumi) from Hiroshima joined them in 1974 as an AFS student and became a lifelong member of the family. They moved to Huntington WV in 1979, and four years later returned to the Minneapolis area. After Henry died in 2011, Bebe moved to St. Andrews Village in Mahtomedi. Bebe and Henry loved entertaining, hiking, skiing, discussing issues of the day, and spending time at the cottage. There were many family games of scrabble, monopoly, and cards. They raised their daughters on joy and sunshine, chocolate chip cookies and ice cream. Bebe read avidly, treasured the natural world, enjoyed crocheting, preparing delicious meals, and had a great sense of humor. She was well known for having plentiful desserts available. Bebe took great delight in her children and grandchildren, kept up regular correspondence with far-

flung family and friends, never complained, and always spoke kind words of thanks and appreciation throughout her long life. She is survived by daughters and sons-in-law Doris Petrie, Joanie and Andrew Mitchell, Barbara and Don Mitchell, Julie Cadwallader-Staub, Nancy Staub, Mimi and John Bowlin, twelve grandchildren, and sisters Marjorie, Jane, Elaine, and Marilyn. She is preceded in death by her parents, her husband Henry, an infant son, grandson Andrew Mitchell, sons-in-law Lloyd Petrie and Warren Cadwallader-Staub, brother Jack, and sister Rosemary. The family extends heartfelt thanks to PaHoua Yang and the staff at St. Andrews Village and Allina Hospice for Mom's excellent, loving care. Interment at Lakeside Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions can be sent to the U of M Dept of Pediatrics (Minnesota Medical Foundation, PO Box 64001, St. Paul, MN 55164); Habitat for Humanity, Trinity Lutheran Church (2001 Riverside Av, Mpls; or MN Landscape Arboretum for research or education (3675 Arboretum Dr Chanhassen). Services will be held on Monday, July 15th at St. Andrews Village chapel (220 East Ave., Mahtomedi) at 10 am