Mary Rafferty

January 26, 2010

Rafferty, Mary Bode of St. Louis Park, died Jan. 24, 2010 after 96 wonderful years. Preceded in death by loving husband, W.H. "Bill" Rafferty; cherished friend, Jack Ziskin; siblings, Alfred Bode, Em Rafferty, Verna Jeppesen, Elton "Red" Bode and Stephanie Wiig. Survived by children, Patrick (Eileen) of St. Louis Park, Mary "Mickey" Bloom of Excelsior, Denni (David) Hughes of Chicago; 7 grandchildren, 11 great- grandchildren; her loving cat Cody; sister, Helen Giessing of Phoenix, AZ; numerous cherished and loved nieces and nephews, their families, and friends. Mary graduated as an RN from Northwestern Hospital in 1936. She spent her early years as a Private Duty Nurse and at the age of 70, retired after 21 years as the head of Health Services, Mpls College of Art & Design (MCAD). Mary spent her retirement years pursuing her love of traveling, reading and gardening. She was a member of the St. Louis Park and Mpls Woman's Clubs and an active volunteer at St. Luke's Lutheran Church. Memorials preferred to MCAD, Mary Rafferty Scholarship Fund or NC Little Hospice. Interment Lakewood Cemetery. Funeral service 11 AM Tuesday with Visitation 1 hour prior to the service, reception to follow at: Washburn-McReavy Edina Chapel 952-920-3996 West 50th St. & Hwy 100