



Nell Beatrice Coil

August 30, 1910 - June 18, 2008

Passed away peacefully after 97 years on June 18, 2008. Nell (Toots) was born in Cumberland WI in 1910 to Oscar Hagen and Rachel Miller Hagen. The family moved with brother Fred to St. Croix Falls and several years later to Minneapolis, where her family owned a neighborhood grocery on 22nd and Lake St. She grew up in that neighborhood, graduated from Central High School in 1928, and attended the University Of Minnesota majoring in physical education. She married Neil Coil at Ft. Snelling Chapel on December 23, 1933. Nell was one of two women in her day to have a ham radio license in the state of Minnesota. A passion she shared with her husband for many years. She was active in the St. Paul Ham Radio Club all of her life. In 1983 she was presented the 50-year Golden Award, her call WOMSW. Nell loved sports as a participant as well as spectator. She served on the Board of the Midway YMCA for many years where she continued to play badminton well into her 80's. Nell loved to travel and was able to see much of the United States with her young family during Neil's naval career during WWII. She and her husband were guests of her daughter Joan and husband Eduar on many trips to South America and Europe. In later years she joined her friends for winter get-a ways in warmer climates. Nell was a member of Knox Presbyterian Church since 1946. A Sunday afternoon dominos game was a regular event at her house in later years with her friends after Sunday services. Nell's easy-going nature and fun loving spirit will be missed by all who knew her. She will be especially missed by, daughter Joan Carvalho and

son Tom Coil and his wife, Janette, and nephew Fred Hagen (Joanne) and their three children. Grandchildren Scott (Caren) Melanson, Rick (Cecile) Melanson, Tommy Coil Jr, Glenda Carvalho, Edward Carvalho (Amanda), Jessica (Ryan) Marschinke, Emily Coil and nephew Brian (Jenny) and their children spent many happy times in Nell's home on holidays and special occasions. She was always cheered by visits from her niece Jean Charles (John) and their children. She was a great grandma to 3 boys and 4 girls. Nell is also survived by many cousins in Minnesota, Wisconsin and throughout the US. A special Thanks to Lyngblomsten Staff for their loving care during Nell's final years. A graveside service will be held on Monday, June 23 to say our prayerful Goodbyes. All are invited to attend at ACACIA PARK CEMETERY at 11:00 AM