



Esther Burke

September 16, 1913 - October 2, 2008

Esther McNeil Burke, age 95 formerly of Dixon, passed away peacefully October 2, 2008 at her daughters' home in Minneapolis where she had resided for the past year. She was a loving mother, grandmother and great-grandmother, homemaker and gardener. Born September 16, 1913 in Baird, TX the daughter of John and Aleatha Cousley. Prior to making her home in Dixon, she spent her youth in Sedalia, MO, graduating May 18, 1933 from Smith-Cotton High School. She married Dr. Hugh Burke DDS September 26, 1935 in Dixon. She was an active member of St. Patrick Catholic Church in Dixon and always available to help friends and neighbors in need. She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband; sister Margaret Hoffman; great grandson Sidney Burke Sheridan. She is survived by her sons Dr. Hugh (Rita) Burke Jr. of Alto Loma, CA, Thomas P. (Susan) Burke Sr. of Dixon; daughter Margaret L. (Bob) Rowe of Minneapolis, MN; grandchildren Thomas P. (Patty) Burke Jr. of Byron, Casey D. (fiancee Jennifer) Burke of Lombard, Shawn E. (Carl) Kawabe of Huntington Beach, CA, Leslie K. (Sid) Sheridan of Huntington Beach, CA, Victoria B. Burke of Alto Loma, CA, Nicholas H. (Desiree) Rowe of Forest Lake, MN; 9 great grandchildren; niece Natalie Pfof of Lee Summit, MO and nephew Bud Hoffman of Texarkana, AR. Private family burial of cremains will be held Saturday October 11, 2008 in St. Mary Cemetery in Ohio, Illinois. In lieu of flowers please direct memorials to St. Mary Catholic School in Dixon. Local arrangements by the Jones Funeral Home in Dixon.

Tribute Wall



“ *Esther Burke*

October 08, 2023 at 11:30 AM



“ *Esther Burke*

December 31, 2022 at 02:40 AM



“ *Margaret, Hugh and Tommie,
Your mother is in our thoughts and prayers. She was a real lady/*

David & Sheila Ames - October 02, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ *I think Esther and I were bonded when I was born. She was living with my parents at that time. My mom told me Esther carried me around all the time. and a lot of the time was dancing and singing the song "Goofus". I guess it was popular in the 30's. Later when we would get together she and I always sang that. I felt very close to Esther. She was my favorite person next to my immediate family, and I always looked forward to spending time with her. We had lots of good times and taks together and often even plotted some stratagies. I will miss her greatly, but her presence will always be with me.*

Natalie Pfofost - October 02, 2008 at 12:00 AM

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“ *Margaret;*

You are in our thoughts with the loss of your mom. We have you in our prayers. You certainly gave her the best of care both physical & loving.

Take Care~

*Marlene**

Marlene White - October 02, 2008 at 12:00 AM