



Mary Edna Hoy

November 13, 1918 - March 18, 2010

Mary Edna Reece Hoy, 91, a three year resident of Alden Estates of Barrington, Illinois and formerly of New Castle, died on March 18, 2010. She was born November 13, 1918 in New Castle, Indiana, a daughter of the late Clark Frank and Ruby (Bouslog) Reece.

Mary attended Butler University in Indianapolis where she pledged Alpha Chi Omega sorority. She and her sister Ruth christened the first two ships to leave for Africa during World War II. Mary was a member of the First Presbyterian Church, Kappa Kappa Kappa, Indiana Sorosis, and the Westwood Country Club.

Mary and her husband founded Harmon H. Hoy Jewelers in downtown New Castle in 1949 and operated the business until 1995.

The family cottage at Lake Santee, Indiana was a source of family enjoyment during retirement years. Mary was a loving and devoted wife, mother, grandmother and great-grandmother.

She is survived by her four children; Susannah Ruth (David) Van Dam, Stephen Reece Hoy, Julia Lee Sweigart, and John David Hoy; eight grandchildren, Kaia Van Dam (Matthew) Kraus, Mary Van Dam (Carlos) Saez, Leigh Van Dam (Brian) Niven, Tait (Chaille) Sweigart, Lee (Christine) Sweigart, Elizabeth Hoy, Courtney Hoy and Michael Hoy; and 11 great-grandchildren, Hayden, Andrew and Reid Kraus, Elena, Lucia and CJ Saez, Mary Reece, Chloe and Wesley Niven, Mary Arlene Sweigart and Max Sweigart.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Harmon H. Hoy, a great-grandson, Eli H. Sweigart; an infant brother, John Clark Reece; and a sister, Ruth Susannah Reece.

Funeral services will be held at 12:00 p.m., Monday, March 22, 2010 in Sproles Family Funeral Home with Rev. Arthur Whitaker officiating. Burial will follow in South Mound Cemetery.

Friends may call from 11:00 a.m. until the time of service at the funeral home.

Memorial contributions may be made to CHERUBS, 3650 Rogers Road #290, Wake Forest, NC 27587, the American Cancer Society, 225 N. Michigan Avenue, Suite 2015, Chicago, IL 60602-3611 or the Multiple Sclerosis Society, National MS Society, P.O. Box 4527, New York, NY 10163.

You may send the family a personal condolence at www.sprolesfamilycares.com.

Tribute Wall

CP

“ *Susannah: I was so sorry to see the passing of your mother. I lost my mother 13 years ago so I know the heartache well. God Bless you and your family during this time. Wonderful memories will always be with you. Connie*

connie selke paul - May 14, 2010 at 12:19 AM

JB

“ *Julie, Sympathy and prayers to you and your family. Judy*

Judy Nichols Barber - March 22, 2010 at 07:40 PM

MZ

“ *Dear Cousins, I am so sorry to learn of Mary's death. My Mother was Mary Hoy Lounsbury. We have so many memories of Mary and Harmon. At the present we are visiting our daughter in Australia. My sister Kay has been in Oklahoma so I would like to extend our condolences for both of us. Sincerely Marilyn and Clayton Zearbaugh Kay and Robert Dull*

Marilyn Lounsbury Zearbaugh - March 21, 2010 at 06:03 PM

JM

“ *Meeting Mary Hoy was an absolute joy. Mary taught me the fine art of playing poker for keeps and how to enjoy a dirty vodka martini. I will miss her. I do have wonderful memories of her. To the family my deepest sympathy.*

Jack Mcdonald - March 20, 2010 at 05:37 PM

JM

“ *Mary Edna Hoy*

Jack Mcdonald - March 20, 2010 at 02:24 PM