



Margaret B. Reilly

November 25, 1916 - October 19, 2012

Margaret Reilly, age 95, of Litchfield Park, Arizona and formerly of Fonda, Iowa died Friday, October 19, 2012 in Avondale, Arizona. Margaret Bridget Mackey was born on November 25, 1916, in Fonda, Iowa, the daughter of John and Agnes (Fitzgerald) Mackey. She graduated from Fonda Public School. After graduation, Margaret became a teacher and taught in country schools for many years. Margaret was a lifelong resident of Fonda and an active member of the Holy Family Society and Our Lady of Good Counsel Parish. On February 16, 1940, Margaret was united in marriage to Leonard Reilly. After Leonard's discharge from the service, he and Margaret moved to a farm where she became a farm wife, who took an active part in the farming operation. On February 26, 1947, their daughter, Jean, joined the family and Margaret took on another role, that of being a mom. When Leonard and Margaret stopped farming, they purchased the City Club Bar on Main Street in Fonda, where she worked for the next few years. She enjoyed sewing and was a beautiful seamstress, as well as, an excellent cook, baker and all around homemaker. Her five grandchildren and seven grandsons were the light of her life and she loved them without question. Margaret was a quiet lady, who never wanted to be in the spotlight, but who would lend a hand whenever, or wherever needed. Margaret will be remembered and cherished forever by her daughter, Jean (Ed) McDonald of Fonda; five grandchildren: Bridget McDonald; Shawn McDonald; Tim (Nancy) McDonald; Bill (Bonnie) McDonald; and Angela (Bob) Reynolds; seven great grandsons: Dakota McDonald; Keaton and Shane Reynolds; Gabe & Zack McDonald; Braidon and Trey McDonald; many extended family and friends. She was preceded in death by her husband, Leonard Reilly; parents, John and Agnes Mackey; sisters: Mary Swan and Kathleen Boettcher; and Jackie Swan.