



## Theresa "Tess" Shields

October 30, 1910 - November 3, 2010

Theresa C. Shields, of Wilmington, IL passed away Wednesday, November 3, 2010 at Provena Saint Joseph Medical Center in Joliet, IL. She recently celebrated her 100th birthday. She was born October 30, 1910 in McLean, IL to the late Thomas L. and Clara M. (nee Scholz) Conroy. Theresa married Robert L. Shields November 12, 1933 in Bloomington, IL. In 1957, they moved to Wilmington. She became a member of the St. Rose Catholic Church and was employed by Kurth's grocery store. She was a 75 year member of the Royal Neighbor's of America, and an avid volunteer for Kuzma Cottage and the Lions Club. Surviving were one son, Robert J. Shields and his partner, Dr. David A. Nesser, of Dallas, TX; three daughters, Sue (Don) Caldwell of Elgin, IL, and their children, Ben Caldwell of McCordsville, IN and Amy (Matt) Dennis of Leawood, KS; Debbie (Dennis) Kinn of Geneva, IL, and their daughter, Megan (Shawn) Felt of Sugar Grove, IL; Pam Galik of Wilmington, and her children, Chris Galik and Beth (Rob) Smith both of Wilmington; and a nephew, Ray Conroy. Theresa was a very proud great-grandmother of ten; Zachary Runyan, Olivia and Will Caldwell; Andrew, Michael, and Patrick Dennis; Clara and Caroline Smith; Lucas Galik; and Madilyn Felt. Preceding her in death were her husband of 59 years, Robert L. Shields; a daughter, Sharen Lee Shields; a brother, Thomas Conroy; two sisters, Margaret Longworth and Eileen Reilly; a son-in-law, Gerry Galik; and an infant grandson. Mass of Christian Burial was at the St. Rose Catholic Church in Wilmington, Tuesday, November 9, 2010 at 10:00 a.m. with visitation one hour preceding services.

Rev. Steve Bondi and Deacon Don Dyer officiated. Clarence Cechota was the organist and Mary Beth Pfaff was the vocalist. Interment was in Mount Olivet Cemetery in Wilmington. The pallbearers were Dr. David A. Nesser, Don Caldwell, Dennis Kinn, Chris Galik, Ben Caldwell, and Rob Smith.

# Cemetery Details

## **Mt Olivet Cemetery- Wilmington**

498 Kahler Road  
Wilmington, IL 60481