



Martha Borzykowski

1911 – 2005

Martha Borzykowski (née Bakalarski) passed away on August 4, 2005, aged 94, in Northbrook, Illinois.

Born in Milwaukee to Albert and Elizabeth Bakalarski, Martha was one of eight siblings. She lived all her life in Milwaukee and Oak Creek, Wisconsin, before moving to Illinois to be near her daughter for her final nine years.

With her beloved husband, Arthur, Martha survived the Great Depression and World War II, events which formed a vivid backdrop to her life. At their farmstead in Oak Creek, she and Art raised their daughter, Betty, and made a home that became a favorite and memorable destination among her many family members, friends, and neighbors.

Although she eventually outlived most of her generation and keenly felt their loss, she carried their memories faithfully. To her very last days, one of her chief pleasures was to tell (and hear told) stories from her life and times.

Her uncommon gentleness, hospitality, and warmth made an impression on all, from the newest acquaintance to her oldest relations. In her final days she would eagerly tell any visitor how blessed she had been throughout her life, but we know that it was she who blessed us.

Private burial was held at Arlington Park Cemetery, Milwaukee. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made to a charitable cause in Martha's memory.