



Isabelle Thompson

Isabelle "Izzy" Platto was born on August 1, 1919, in Graceville, Minnesota the daughter of Bert and Sue Platto. She graduated from Central High School in Alexandria the Class of 1937 and furthered her education at McPhail's School of Music in Minneapolis. She received her Bachelor of Arts Degree in Piano and Voice. Izzy served her country during World War II as a Corporal in the U.S. Army (Women's Army Corps - WAC). She was stationed in New Guinea and the Philippine Islands. Isabelle was united in marriage to Carl Robert (Bob) Thompson on June 6, 1949 at St. Mary's Church in Alexandria. After their marriage Bob and Izzy moved to Murdock, Minnesota for eight years before returning to Alexandria where she resided for the rest of her life. Izzy stayed at home raising her seven children and teaching piano lessons. She also directed the St. Mary's Church Choir for several years. Isabelle was a Past President of VFW Ladies Auxiliary and a member of the American Legion. She was a very patriotic lady and every May you would find her selling poppies. Isabelle was an inspiration and joy to all who knew her. She lived for her children and grandchildren and loved her family and extended family. She never met a stranger and always lived her life for others. Izzy also volunteered at Bethany Home at the fruit cart and coffee shop. She also taught CCD and sang at several weddings and funerals. She will be remembered for making people laugh and her many sayings such as: "I'm Irish & Dutch and I didn't amount to much" and "See you around like a donut". Isabelle died on Monday, September 21, 2009. She is survived by five children: Jan Duhnke of

Wichita, KS, Christine Mojica (Alberto) of Cuernavaca, Mexico, Debra Rode Thompson (Terril) of Alexandria, MN, Dr. Robert Thompson (Sarah) of Iowa City, IA, Dr. Mary Fusco of Seattle, WA; seventeen grandchildren: Karl Duhnke; Lya, Kristian, Teddy Mojica; Shannon and Michael Haberman; Sophie Fusco; Angie, Catherine, Robert II, Stephanie, Carl, Tegan, Ray, Robert III, Vanna, Susanna Thompson; thirteen great grandchildren, Special nieces and nephews: Lynda Wosmek, Sheri and Patty Platto, Billy Platto (deceased); Bert and Nancy Westhoff, Wendy Potts, Jodi Vargas, Kelly Cascani; Julie Heale, Tom and Tim Smith. She was preceded in death by her husband, Carl Robert (Bob) Thompson; daughters: Teresa Mary and Susan Rae Thompson. Prayer service was held on Wednesday, September 23, 2009, 4:00 p.m. with a D of I Rosary following. Mass of Christian Burial was on Thursday, September 24, 2009, 11:00 a.m. at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Alexandria with Father Steve Binsfeld officiating. Burial was at St. Mary's Cemetery. Military Honors were by VFW Post 936 and American Legion Post 87. Arrangements were with the Anderson Funeral Home. www.andersonfuneral.net