



## Doris Kneuper Santee

January 5, 1922 - June 27, 2016

Doris Santee passed away on June 27th at the age of ninety four after a brief battle with cancer. She was preceded in death by; her husband Ralph Kneuper, her daughter Joyce Theis, and son Robert Kneuper. She is survived by; her son Bill Kneuper and his wife Shirley, daughter Carrol Jacob and husband Raymond, eight grandchildren, twelve great grandchildren, and 2 great-great grandchildren. She is also survived by her cousin William Tucker who lives in Spain.

She was preceded in death by her second husband Ray Santee and is survived by his sons Ross Santee and his wife Rita, Tom Santee and his wife Sonja, daughter Mary Reininger and her husband Phil, eleven grandchildren, and numerous great grandchildren.

Doris was a super-woman in her younger years that raised four kids, worked a full time job at Hand-Andy, was a homemaker, and managed to sew most of her children's cloths. Her and Ralph managed to still find time to visit relatives, go dancing, and take the family fishing and camping. Her home was always a welcome place for friends and family and most of the neighborhood kids.

Her second marriage to Ray Santee allowed her to flourish as a gardener and amature geologist. She was quite the rock hound. Ray said he spent the first half of his life removing rock from the Mardell home and she spent the second half bringing them back. Her flower beds were spectacular and we managed to keep a couple going till the end. She really loved her hibiscus.

Doris was an excellent seamstress. She sewed many quilts, made Barbie doll cloths, kids' clothes, and did needle work. For a short time she was a riveter at Sweringen Aircraft.

She was strong and independent to the end and managed to stay in her home with her cat, Puff, till a few weeks before her death.

A funeral service will be held Tuesday July 5, 2016 at 11:00 a.m. in the small mausoleum chapel at Mission Burial Park North.