



Polly Burke

October 26, 2007

Apollonia "Polly" Burke, 93, widow of Lawson B. Burke, of West Hartford, died Friday, October 26, 2007, at Jefferson House in Newington. Born in Little Rock, Arkansas she lived most of her young life in Tulsa, OK, moving to West Hartford in 1956. Polly was a constant loving presence in her children's lives, as protector, friend and confidant. She was a member of the Farmington Country Club, indulging in a life long love of golf. Polly enjoyed bridge and was active in her faith at the Church of St. Helena. Polly is survived by her son L. Brian Burke and his wife Maria of Grantham, NH; her daughters, Barbara Burke Ross and her husband Don of South Glastonbury, and Sharon Burke Shea and her husband Robert of Glastonbury. Additionally Polly is survived by her grandchildren for whom she knitted each an Irish afghan, Kristin Hynes of Shelton, Tamara Divine of Marlborough, Laurie Wilson of South Glastonbury, Amy Ross of Monroe, Sarah Hoffman of Elizabethtown, PA, Katie Shea of S. Boston, Rob Shea of South Boston; as well as 11 great grandchildren. In addition to her husband, Polly was predeceased by her grandson Lawson Burke III. The family would like to thank the staff at the Jefferson House for the wonderful care they gave to Polly. The funeral will be Tuesday beginning with visitation at 9:30 a.m. at the Molloy Funeral Home, 906 Farmington Ave., West Hartford, followed by a mass of Christian burial at 11:00 a.m. at St. Helena Church, Echo Lane, West Hartford. Burial will be in St. Mary Cemetery, New Britain. Donations in her memory may be made to the Jefferson House 1 John Stewart Dr. Newington CT 06111