



## Margaret Peggy Reis

September 9, 1918 - January 17, 2009

Margaret ♡Peggy♡ Pauley Reis,died on January 17, 2009 at home. She was born on September 9, 1918 in Little Swan, Minn. She graduated from Marquette University with a Bachelor of Science degree in Nursing in 1941. She later did graduate work at the University of Southern California and UCLA receiving a PHN degree and Health and Development Certificate. Following graduation, she worked in public health nursing in Waukesha, Wisconsin before joining the Navy in 1943 as a Navy Nurse. She was stationed in San Diego and then at Pearl Harbor prior to leaving the Navy in 1945. Following World War II, she was employed at Stanford University Hospital as Head Nurse of the outpatient department. In 1950, she met Carl T. Reis of Indianapolis while vacationing with friends at Lake Louise, British Columbia. They were married in February 1951. Mrs. Reis ♡ only Indianapolis employment was at the Juvenile Center in 1953, where she was the first RN employed by the center where she established standing orders and a room for ill children. Peggy and Carl had five children: Peter Reis, Nederland, CO; Paul (Mo) Reis, Carmel, IN; Malia Reis, Poway, CA; Michele (Jim) Gerald, Parrish, FL; and Jim Reis, Indianapolis. Peggy had six grandchildren: Meggie (Joel) Grannan, Fishers, IN; Tim Gerald, Parrish, FL; David Reis, Fishers; Mary, Julia and Michael Reis, Carmel and one great granddaughter, Lauren Grannan. She was preceded in death by her husband, Carl, in 1996, and by two brothers and a sister. Peggy was an active volunteer throughout her lifetime, working at 17 different organizations. Her volunteer work included St.

Mary's Children Center, Crossroads, Central State Hospital, Life Line, Learning Support Center, Birthright, The Arthritis Foundation, The American Cancer Society, St. Augustine Home for the Aged, Holliday Park, Prevent Blindness Indiana, The Alzheimer's Association, The Indianapolis Art Center, Oasis Program, The School for the Blind, New Hope and the Julian Center. Her great love was children. She tutored first graders in reading and read to first graders at the Blind School, and also tutored and read to children in the school at the Julian Center. At the New Hope program, she provided recreational activities for handicapped adults. Her work as a volunteer for Prevent Blindness Indiana spanned over 30 years. She was also a talented artist and excellent cook, delighting in preparing Scandinavian dishes as well as her famously decorated Christmas cookies. She was talented at needlework and knitting and played a mean game of cribbage well into her 90th year. The family wishes to thank Judy Collins, Judy Parrish and Debbie Pullins for their kindness, compassion and true friendship during her brief illness. Visitation will be held Tuesday, January 20 from 3:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. at Shirley Brothers Fishers-Castleton Chapel, 9900 Allisonville Rd. Visitation will also be Wednesday from 10:00 a.m. until 10:30 a.m. at Little Sisters of the Poor, St. Augustine's Home, 2345 W. 86th St., Indianapolis, IN 46260, with a rosary at 10:30 a.m. and funeral mass at 11:00 a.m. In lieu of flowers, Peggy's request was for memorial contributions to be made to the Little Sisters of the Poor, 2345 W. 86th St., Indianapolis, IN 46260.