



Doris Fessler

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Doris Joan Fessler, 90, passed away peacefully at 8 p.m., Sunday, December 17, 2017 at the Delmar Gardens in CreveCouer, Missouri. She was born in Alton, Illinois on October 17, 1927, and was the daughter of Joseph and Lilith (Price) Fessler of Dow, Illinois. Doris grew up on the family dairy farm in rural Jersey County and graduated from Jersey Township High School in 1945. After her graduation, she attended Missouri Baptist School of Nursing in St. Louis, Mo., and became a Registered Nurse. She then relocated to Chicago, Illinois and began her career as a surgical nurse. During that time, she also furthered her education at Loyola University in Chicago and received her Masters Degree in clinical social work. She worked for many years as an orthopedic discharge nurse at Northwestern Memorial Hospital in Chicago, until her retirement. After she retired, Doris became an active volunteer at the Museum of Science and Industry as a docent in the dinosaur exhibit. She loved traveling and visited every continent but one, with walking with the penguins in Antarctica, serving as her favorite adventure. Surviving are a brother, Edwin Fessler of Dow; a neice, Susan Fessler Rose of Chesterfield, Mo.; a nephew and his wife, Joe and Kathy Fessler of Dow; and several great nieces and great nephews. In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by a sister in-law, Betty Fessler. A private memorial service will be held at a later date. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be given to the American Arthritis Foundation or the American Cancer Society. Crawford Funeral Home in Jerseyville is in charge of the arrangements, and condolences may be left at crawfordfunerals.com