



Miriam R. Horvath

April 28, 1918 - August 28, 2018

Miriam Rita Horvath, of Sarasota, died peacefully in her sleep August 28, 2018. She was 100 years old. She was a much loved, wife, mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother. Born in Cleveland, Ohio on April 28, 1918, Miriam was the only child of George and Mae Andres and received her BS degree in nutrition from Flora Stone Mather College in 1941.

In December 1947, Miriam married her beloved husband Bob and for 63 years they made the family the focal point of their lives as they moved to numerous homes in the northeast thanks to IBM. After his passing in 2011 she continued to make the family her focus and became the matriarch of generations of children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren. She was extremely proud of them all.

Miriam was a Home Economics teacher but spent her early married years as a stay-at-home Mom who taught her three girls how to cook, sew, and successfully manage a household. As her children grew, she returned to teaching and managed the cafeteria at Our Lady of Lourdes High School in Poughkeepsie, NY.

When she and her husband, Bob, retired they moved to Sarasota. Together, they were very active in the newly formed St. Thomas More Roman Catholic Church and saw the church built, the chapel built, and Chelsea Center constructed. Miriam also served as a volunteer for many years at Sarasota Memorial Hospital and at Bay Village.

She had a boundless love of her husband, and a faith in God that will surely

reward her with everlasting life. She is survived by son Ned Horvath of Pflugerville, TX, daughter Sue Reeps of Malvern, PA, daughter Miriam Cohe of Falls Church, VA, son Steve Horvath of Garberville, CA, daughter Geri Horvath of Lincoln, NE, nine grandchildren, and seven great-grandchildren. She is pre-deceased by her husband Bob and three infant children, Betty, Jeanne and Bobby.

Mass of Christian Burial and Memorial Service will be 9:30 a.m. Friday, October 12 at St. Thomas More Church, followed immediately by a reception to offer condolences in the St. Thomas Spirit Center. In lieu of flowers, donations in Miriam's memory can be made to the Bay Village Endowment Fund, 8400. Vamo Rd., Sarasota, FL 34231 or St. Thomas More Church, 2506 Gulf Gate Dr., Sarasota, FL 34231.