



Letitia Kathleen Simmons

April 16, 2000 - April 23, 2008

Letitia “Tish” Kathleen (Beranek) Simmons was born April 16, 1921 in Cedar Rapids, Iowa to Gilbert and Blanche (Gaillard) Beranek. She grew up in Mount Vernon, Iowa where she attended grade school, and graduated from Mt. Vernon High School in 1939. After high school, she attended Clarke College in Dubuque, Iowa, where she graduated with a Bachelor of Arts degree in 1942. Tish loved to read, and also enjoyed playing bridge and solving crossword puzzles.

Tish worked for several years for the Easter Seal Society. She became the Executive Director of the Nebraska Chapter, before taking on a role with the National Easter Seal Society. Chief among her many accomplishments while working for the Easter Seal Society was the production of the National Telethon that raised millions of dollars both locally and nationally. Tish was also a proud Democrat, and she became an active member of the Florida Democratic Party during her time living in Florida. Family was most important to Tish. She was a wonderful cook, and loved to cook for her children, grandchildren, and great grandchildren. They will all miss her very much and cherish their memories of her.

Tish passed away on Wednesday, April 23, 2008 at the Life Care Center of Elkhorn in Elkhorn, Nebraska at the age of 87 years, and 7 days. She is preceded in death by her parents: Gilbert and Blanche Beranek, and brothers:

Robert and Gaillard Beranek. Tish is survived by sons and daughters-in-law; Terry and Carmel Simmons of Omaha, and Timothy A. and Kathy Simmons of Valparaiso, Indiana; Grandchildren: Rachel and husband Ted Stricklett, Ben and wife Jeanne Simmons, Emily Simmons, Timothy and wife Glenda Simmons, Todd and wife Christie Simmons, Kara Simmons, and Katlin Simmons; and great grandchildren: Ellie and Owen Stricklett, Ryan Simmons, Madeline, Molly, Jack, Jillian, and Ava Simmons, and Tyler and Kate Simmons.

Tribute Wall



“ *Letitia Kathleen Simmons*

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