



Rada Folger Ducket

March 21, 1912 - April 3, 2013

Rada Folger Ducket, 101, of Sylvania OH, passed away very peacefully in her own bed at Kingston Residence of Sylvania with her Grandson by her side. Rada was born on March 21, 1912, a month before the Titanic sank, in Toledo to Christine and Frank Folger. She was their oldest daughter and had six siblings, three of which survive, Helen, of Sylvania, Bessie, of Solon, OH, and Chuck, of Oklahoma City, OK. Her father, uncle, and Grandfather owned and operated the Folger Packing House on Phillips Ave. in Toledo until after WWII. She was married to Harold Ducket for over 60 years until he preceded her in death in 2001. Grandma Rada graduated from Scott High School in Toledo and was also a graduate of the University of Toledo where she was a member of Delta DeltaDelta Sorority. She had one daughter, Christine Brown, and son-in-law, Richard Brown, of Boyne City, MI. She is also survived by her Grandsons Rich Brown, Jr., of Grand Rapids, MI, and Rob Brown (Briana), of Kansas City, MO as well as her Great Grandchildren, Cameron and Mallory Brown, of Grand Rapids, MI. She was also preceded in death by her son, Thomas, who passed away at birth, brother Jacob Folger of Toledo, brother Jerry Folger of Toledo, and sister Anna Rideout of Mt Prospect, IL. Grandma Rada was the quintessential Grandma and is often described as the greatest Grandma ever. She dedicated her life to her family and was one of the kindest and most generous people to ever walk the earth. Her deep concern for others, especially her family, guided her daily life and actions and she led the type of life to which we could all aspire. She and Grandpa loved the nearly 10

summers they spent in Boyne City/Lake Charlevoix with her daughter and son-in-law at their cottage. She was an expert cook and baker, which shows in one of her Grandson's waistline. Her black bottom pies were simply the best desserts you could ever experience, and her coffee cakes, fudge, and incredible Christmas cookies were the impetus of many squabbles between her grandsons as to who would get the most. She was also an expert back seat driver and had a famous fear of cats. These aspects of her personality only served to endear her to us even more. While we are deeply saddened to see Grandma Rada move on to Heaven, we are truly grateful for and celebrate her life. She was one of a kind. At her request, she has been cremated and a private family interment in Toledo Memorial Gardens in Sylvania will happen later this spring. The family requests that any tributes be directed to the Hospice of NW Ohio. We would also like to offer our deepest appreciation to the staff of Kingston Residence of Sylvania. Their extraordinary care for Grandma, understanding, and hospitality was greatly appreciated.