



Irene Gecik

July 13, 1924 - December 21, 2017

Irene (Salerno) Gecik , 93, passed away peacefully on December 21, 2017 at Rehab at Rivers Edge with her daughter by her side. Born in Raritan, Irene moved to Manville in the late 1950's where she spent many happy years with her family. Irene spent most of her years as a homemaker but prior to her marriage she was a seamstress. While working as a seamstress, she met her future mother-in-law who thought Irene would be the perfect match for her son, Joseph. She was right; Irene and Joseph were a match made in heaven. They enjoyed dancing, the company of relatives (cake and coffee at Auntie Irene's), an occasional vacation, or just sitting on the couch together. They cared for each other through the bumps and bends of life especially the care Irene gave Joseph through his severe and painful bouts with cancer. Her immediate family will always remember Birthday Celebrations. They were celebrated on the Sunday closest to your birthday and you got to pick the menu. Her chicken cutlets and home fries were a favorite. Irene is predeceased by her husband, Joseph, and her parents, Angelo and Antoinette Salerno. She is also predeceased by her siblings: Adele DiVanna, Lena Curcio, Anthony Salerno, Angelo Salerno, and Anna Pascale. Surviving are her only child, Barbara Suhaka and her husband, Edward Suhaka. Irene is also survived by one grandchild, Nancy Suhaka, and her husband, Joseph Barilla. Irene has one surviving sibling, Danny Salerno and nieces and nephews living throughout the USA. Services and internment will be private. Arrangements are under the direction of the Ketusky Funeral Home.