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Rita Barnard age 91 passed away Monday, May 19, 2014 in Leesburg, Florida. She was born in Drummondville, Quebec Canada and moved to the Leesburg area in 1987 from Reading, Massachusetts. She was a homemaker, wife and mother. She was a member of the Synagogue Beth Shalom in Leesburg, Florida. Survivors include her loving husband of 67 years Harry, daughters Suzanne (John) Kelly of Leesburg; and Doreen (Kevin) Dougherty of Eagle River, Alaska; a sister Freda Segal of California; 5 grandchildren - Jill, Marc, Kate, Holly, and Megan; and 2 great-grandchildren Joseph and Alexis.

Graveside services are planned for 3:00 PM Thursday, May 22, 2014 at Hillcrest Memorial Gardens, Leesburg with Rabbi Karen Allen serving as Officiant.



Tribute Wall

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Suzanne Kelly lit a candle in honor of Rita.



May 23 at 2:23 PM



Suzanne Kelly posted:

Rita Barnard, 07.02.1922 – 05.19.2014 My mother was a wonderful woman. While her life was not always easy, she managed to be happy, and grateful for what she had. She always found a way to see the best in people, and forgive their shortcomings. Rita was a strong, healthy, giving, and caring - woman, wife, mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, and friend. She loved taking care of her family, and she loved to dance. She was only three years old when she lost her own mother. She once told me that it made her want to be the best mother in the world, because she knew how hard it was to grow up without a mother. She succeeded. She was the best mother in the world - patient, kind, and always there for us. These last several years were difficult for all of us. It was tough to watch the once vivacious woman grow increasingly restricted by her physical limitations. We here on earth will miss her terribly every day. The good news is that she is an angel in heaven, and she suffers no more. Rest in Peace, Ma. We will love you forever. ~ 05.19.2014 by Suzanne Kelly, daughter

May 22 at 5:17 AM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Rita by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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