

Nancy Doering Field W27 November 29, 1915 - June 18, 2018

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Nancy Doering Field of 9 Stimson Avenue, Providence, RI passed away on June 18, 2018 at the age of 102.

She is survived by her three sons: Richard Doering Field of Hobe Sound, FL and New Canaan, CT, H. James Field, Jr. of Vero Beach, FL and Little Compton, RI, Christopher Clarke Field of Denver, CO and four grandchildren: Devon Field Pastor, Richard Doering Field, Jr., Elisabeth Field Mims and Jennifer Field Whitman, and eight great grandchildren: Lucy Dana Field, Frederick Doering Field, Clifford Charles Field, Michael Bret Pastor, Marion Dana Pastor, Wyatt Field Pastor, Adelaide Field Mims and Henry Walker Mims.

Born in Chicago to Edmond James Doering and Edna Jeffery Doering on November 29, 1915 from a prominent Illinois family engaged in the railroad industry.

The Doerings traveled extensively in Europe where the majority of Nancy's education took place. After the breakout of WWII, she returned to the U.S. where she met her husband Harold J. Field, a commander in the U.S. Navy, based in Washington, DC. She also served as a Visiting Nurse, providing care to wounded soldiers returning for rehabilitation in Chicago. She continued to have strong feelings about her country and being part of what has come to be known as the "Greatest Generation" of Americans. All three of her sons attended Moses Brown School in Providence and Nancy became one of the early female trustees of the school. She also served as trustee of the East Side Parents League and was a member of Agawam Hunt Club and The Hope Club in Providence, and the Sakonnet Golf Club in Little Compton.

Called "Nanka" by her children and grandchildren, she was a caring and strong voice in her family's lives and was involved with many of their activities. As a result of her European education, she learned to speak French fluently. She had a number of other interests especially bridge, travel, theater and physical exercise. When asked about her long life, she would often site 'resiliency' as the key to her success.

On the occasion of her 100th Birthday, she was presented with a Citation from the Mayor of Providence, citing her leadership with the Senior Citizen Program. During the Bicentennial she was cited for promoting Anglo-American relations and was presented to The Queen of England on her visit to Newport.

Funeral services will be private. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Grace Episcopal Church, 300 Westminster Street, Providence, RI 02903 and Hallworth House, 66 Benefit Street, Providence, RI 02904.

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