



## Estelle D. Budzilowicz

December 5, 1924 - February 5, 2019

Estelle D. Budzilowicz, age 94 of Conshohocken, PA died peacefully at home on Tuesday, February 5, 2019 after a brief period of declining health. Born in Broad Axe on December 5, 1924, she was the daughter of the late Stanley and Catherine (Polkowska) Novak, the beloved wife for 59 years to the late Frank B. Budzilowicz and the loving mother of Carol Budzilowicz of Conshohocken, Ann (Greg) Souder of Malvern, Paul (Betty) Budzilowicz of Phoenixville and Frank M. Budzilowicz of Ocean City, NJ. Estelle is also survived by her ten grandchildren: Danielle (Souder) Birkhead, Stephen Souder, Rachel (Souder) Gregory, Andrew Souder, Lisa, Michael and P.J. Budzilowicz and Traci, Nicole and Amy Budzilowicz as well as nine great-grandchildren who brought her much joy and who she loved and adored. She was preceded in death by her seven siblings, Laura Novak, Sarah Polo, Josephine Novak, Genevieve Banach, Stanley, John and Alexander Novak and a grandson, Matthew Souder. Many nieces and nephews also survive her.

Estelle grew up on a farm in Broad Axe where among other things, they grew tomatoes for Campbell's Soup Co. At age 12, her family moved to West Conshohocken and she graduated as Valedictorian of the 1942 class of West Conshohocken High School. She worked for the Civil Service mostly on war contracts for six years before dedicating the rest of her life to the role of mother and homemaker. Estelle lived in the same home in Conshohocken, PA for sixty years. Estelle's greatest happiness came from family gatherings and

she delighted in continuing Polish traditions at holiday times. She was deeply religious and was a lifelong member of St. Mary's R.C. church. She was also an avid reader, loved bingo at the neighborhood churches and the casinos in Atlantic City as well as days spent by the bay in Sea Isle City, NJ. She was a meticulous housekeeper and her garden was the envy of many. She loved her independence and was still driving at 93.5 years.

Her funeral mass was held on Friday, February 8 at St. Mary's R.C. Church, 140 W. Hector Street, Conshohocken, PA 19428. Interment was in St. Benedict's Cemetery in Conshohocken, PA. Professional arrangements were by the William A. Moore Funeral Home, 708 Fayette Street, Conshohocken, PA 19428.