



Margery W. Steele

July 17, 1920 - June 20, 2013

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Margery W. Steele passed away on Thursday, June 20, 2013. She was born on July 17, 1920 in Michigan City, Indiana to George and Marion (Whiteley) Phelan. She graduated from Kingston High School in New York and attended New York City Business College. She worked for the War Department in the OSS which later became the CIA. She served in North Africa, Egypt, and Greece. Margery married Harold Steele on Oct 12, 1946, first in a Civil Ceremony and on the following day, October 13, 1946, in a military ceremony in Vienna, Austria. She was an active member of the First Congregational Church of Peru and past active member Dover Congregational Church. Other clubs and organizations Margery participated in include:

Secretary-Treasurer of Steele Farms

Sunday School Teacher at Dover Congregational Church

American Red Cross Board for 15 years

Dover Grade School Board

Bureau County United Way

Camp Fire Girls Leader

Hosted Students and was on the Board for American Field Service

and the Bureau Valley Business and Profesional Women's Club where she was woman of the year in 1980.

Margery is survived by her husband of nearly 67 years, Harold Steele of Princeton. Also surviving are four children: Greg (Sandra) Steele of Dover, Linda (Noel) Hobbs of Aurora, Colorado Becky (Tom) Hall of Princeton, and Susan (Mike) Teslow of Houston, Texas. Also surviving are two AFS foreign exchange daughters: Dr. Akke van der Zijpp of the Netherlands and Kyoko (Shinobo) Tanaka of Japan. Surviving as well are 5 grandchildren: Kristopher (Dawn) Hall, Alanna (Evan Rapoport) Hobbs, Captain Chad and (Dr. Michelle) Foreman, Katie (Michael) Baldwin, and Rachel Foreman, two foreign grandchildren Karin and Jumi Yamada, and two great-grandsons Jacob Foreman and Ieppi Tanaka. Also surviving are several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents, three brothers and one sister.

Memorials may be directed to American Field Service AFS-USA-
www.afsusa.org or call 212-479-1158 or First Congregational Church of Peru.

Memorial Service will be on Friday, August 2, 2013 at 11:00 AM at the Norberg Memorial Home in Princeton. There will be no visitation. A luncheon and time of remembrance for Margery will immediately follow the memorial service downstairs at Fitzgerald's Lounge, 432 South Main St., Princeton.