## **OBITUARY**

Irene S. Bennett, age 86, died peacefully surrounded by family on Sunday, March 22nd, 2015 at Hackettstown Regional Medical Center. Mrs. Bennett, a lifelong resident of Hackettstown, was born on February 11th, 1929 in Morristown, NJ. She is the daughter of the late Leo and the late Victoria (Doncheski) Grogan. Irene is predeceased by her devoted husband, John Bennett and her beloved brothers Gerald, Leo and Gilbert Grogan. Mrs. Bennett was employed by Hackettstown Regional Medical Center as one of the first group of nurses hired when the hospital opened its doors for the first time. Irene is survived by a daughter, Gay and her husband Thomas Keating, sons John Bennett and wife Karen Bennett, Paul Bennett and James Bennett. She also leaves behind six grandchildren, Jeffrey Bennett, Victoria Byrka, Kathryn Rucki, Alexander Keating, Jack Bennett, Matthew Bennett, and three great-grandchildren. She is also survived by her life-long gal pals, Betty, Betty, and Tessie. Calling hours will be held Wednesday, March 25th from 10 am to 12:30 pm at Cochran Funeral Home, 905 High Street, Hackettstown, NJ 07840 followed by a mass and Christian burial at 1 pm at Our Lady of the Lady Mountain R.C. Church, Long Valley, NJ officiated by Rev. Abuchi Nwosu. Immediately following, interment will be in Hackettstown Union Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Hackettstown Regional Medical Center 651 Willow Grove Street, Hackettstown, NJ 07840.

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NAME: Bennett, Irene S. (nee Grogan)

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