## **OBITUARY**

Thelma Buch, 96, of Hackettstown, NJ, formerly of Parsippany, NJ, passed away peacefully on May 29, 2016 at the Paragon assisted living center with her family by her side. Thelma was born in Rutledge, Georgia on November 24, 1919 to the late Walter and Daisy Gibson.

Thelma grew up in Morgan County Georgia. She met and married the love of her life Frederick in 1949. They resided in Parsippany, NJ until 1980 then in Monmouth, Maine until his passing in 2012. Thelma worked as an insurance underwriter for Griffith-Prideaux in Morristown, NJ until her retirement in 1980. She was of the Lutheran faith and a parishioner of Gethsemane Lutheran Church in Hackettstown, NJ. She enjoyed playing golf, reading, playing cards, doing crossword puzzles and dancing. She loved her family, adored her grandchildren and treasured every moment spent with them.

Thelma is survived by her loving children, a son, Paul Buch and partner Louise Collazo, 2 daughters, Susan Cullen and her husband Colin and Kathy Steinert and her husband Dave. Her cherished grandchildren, Steven, Gary, Perry, Hannah and Zechariah. She is preceded in death by her devoted husband Frederick, brother Walter Gibson and sisters Eugenia Wallace, Ruth Loveless, Daisy Carter, Lillie Mae Causey and a grandchild, Holland Buch.

Friends and family may pay their respects on Thursday, June 2, 2016 from 4-8PM at the Scala Memorial Home, 124 High St. Hackettstown, NJ 07840. Funeral services will be held on Friday June 3, 2016 at 11:00 AM at Gethsemane Lutheran Church, 409 E. Baldwin St, Hackettstown, NJ.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Thelma's name to the Gethsemane Lutheran Church, 409 E. Baldwin St, Hackettstown, NJ 07840. Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to the Scala Memorial Home. Please visit <a href="www.scalamemorialhome.com">www.scalamemorialhome.com</a>.

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