

OBITUARY

Gladys C. Graba, 87, passed away on Monday, August 29, 2011, at Heath Village Nursing Center in Hackettstown, N.J., after a long battle with Alzheimer's. The memorial service will be Thursday, September 8, 2011, at 12:30 p.m. in the Heath Village auditorium. Arrangements are by D.W. Newcomer's Sons Johnson County Chapel, 11200 Metcalf Ave., Overland Park, Kan. 66210 (913) 451-1860. Gladys was born on Feb. 7, 1924, in Kansas City, Mo., and spent most of her life in the Kansas City metropolitan area. Her ancestry was 100 percent Swedish, of which she was very proud, and her father was a first-generation immigrant who came through Ellis Island. On Sept. 24, 1944, she married Roy R. Graba, a union that lasted through World War II, the Korean War, and happily thereafter for a total of 67 years. She is survived by her husband, Roy; her son, Gary B. Graba, and his wife, Sheryl; three grandsons and their wives, Clayton and Kristina Graba, Colby and Christine Graba, and Colt and Jamie Graba, and six great-grandchildren, Alexis, Hope, Gage, Tannah, Chase, Carter. A memorial in her honor may be sent to the [Alzheimer's Association](#), Greater New Jersey Chapter, 400 Morris Ave., Suite 251, Denville, N.J. 07834. (Phone Number 973-586-4300) or to the Heath Village Friendship Fund, 430 Schooley's Mountain Rd., Hackettstown, N.J. 07840.

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