



Maria de Boer

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Maria de Boer, 87, passed away peacefully on Sunday, March 9, in Palm Coast, Fla. She was the beloved wife of Remmert de Boer for 49 years, until his death in 1996. Born in Amsterdam, the Netherlands, daughter of Martinus Overduin and Anneke van Rijswijk, she emigrated to America with her family in 1956. Under the benevolent sponsorship of the Sayles Memorial Church, the family settled in Lincoln, R.I. From 1968 to 2004, she lived in Scituate, R.I., and then moved to Florida. Maria de Boer was a proud and accomplished homemaker while raising six children. She especially enjoyed sewing, knitting, puzzles, cooking, calligraphy, writing, and yard sales. Most of all, she enjoyed the company of her family, both here and abroad. She was a member of the Sayles Memorial Church, the Central Congregational Church in Providence, and the Flagler Senior Center. She was the devoted mother of five sons: Cornelis (and wife Kathryn) of Providence; Martinus (and wife Paula Pumplin) of Oudekerk aan de Amstel, the Netherlands; Remmert of Palm Coast; the late Robert of North Attleboro, Mass.; and Richard (and wife Susan) of Tolland, Conn.; and one daughter, Beatrix (and companion James Simmons) of Palm Coast. She leaves a brother, Pieter Paulus Overduin of Amstelveen, the Netherlands. She was the sister of the late Anneke and Johannes Overduin. She was the grandmother of Jonathan, Benjamin, Kristen, Emma, Dana, Derek, and Julliana de Boer and the great-grandmother of Rosebud Sherman and Hunter de Boer. Services and burial will be private.