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Doris died on Thursday, October 25, 2018, at the Ridgeview Medical Center in Waconia, MN at the age of 99. She is survived by her children, Karen, (Bruce) Legg, Kristen (Bruce) Larson, Kevin King, Steven (Sheri) King, and Arne King; eight grandchildren; 2 great-grandchildren. Doris was preceded in death by her husband, Lloyd; parents, Magnus and Ida; brother, Milo Gerdrum; and sister, Evelyn Gerdrum.

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