Mary Rita Krizik

Birth: Nov. 19, 1916 Worcester Worcester County Massachusetts, USA Death: Feb. 4, 2010 Massachusetts, USA

She was born in Worcester, daughter of William Canning and Mary Earley Canning and step-daughter of James Conlon who raised her as his own. Four brothers and one sister predeceased her, William (Ski) Canning, Thomas, Raymond and James Conlon. Her only sister, Monica perished in the Cocoanut Grove Fire along with her fiancée on November 28, 1942 in Boston. Mayrita survived the fire thanks to her brother Ski and his wife Phyllis, but spent the next six months at Mass. General recuperating. Almost five hundred people died in the fire after the Holy Cross/Boston College football game, which was the biggest upset of the century in football history of the two rivals.

Her family operated and ran the first horse drawn mail delivery service in Worcester. She was an active member of St. Charles Borromeo Church in Worcester as well as Worcester Country Club and the Pleasant Valley Country Club. Before she wed, she worked at the Worcester Antiguarian Society and State Opticians. She was a member of the St. Agnes Guild for many years, loved to dance at Jonny Hynes, and spent the weekends swimming at the Poor House. Mayrita was an avid fan of the Boston Red Sox and spent her 85th birthday at the Sox/Yankees game at Fenway Park. She spent many happy hours watching her brother Ski, a jockey, who competed at various race tracks around the country.

Note: Wife Of Charles E Krizik

Burial: <u>Massachusetts National Cemetery</u> Bourne Barnstable County



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