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Agnes "Jo" Lee, 93, of Fairview Heights, Ill., born Nov. 6, 1912, in Taunton, Minn., died of natural causes on May 19, 2006. She was a member of St. Albert the Great Catholic Church where she also sang in the choir for thirty years.

Jo was a 1933 graduate of St. Joseph's Hospital School of Nursing in St. Paul, Minn., and the Army Air Corps School of Air Evacuation in Louisville, Ky. She served as a flight nurse in World War II in England, Scotland, the Azores and France. She was discharged as a captain in 1946.

She was a past member of the Golden Year of St. Ann Solidarity, the Scott Air Force Base Officer's Wives Club, Fairview Heights Garden Club, Ikebana Club International St. Louis chapter, Ikenobo Society of San Francisco and the Yorktown Ladies' Golf League. Jo was past president of the board of the Fairview Heights Public Library and the Parent Teacher Organization for Exceptional Children. In 1976 she was awarded the Culture Service Award by the Fairview Heights Tribune.

She was preceded in death by her first husband, Lt. Thomas Watson Lewis of Indianola, Iowa, an Army Air Force B-24 pilot who was killed in action in 1942. Also, she is preceded by her parents of St. Paul, Minn.; three sisters and four brothers of Minnesota and southern California.

Jo is survived by her husband, Col. Maurice E. Lee, Jr. (USAF retired), whom she married in 1946, at the Church of the Madeleine, in Paris, France; children, Karen Louise (Ron) Hindman of Belleville, Ill., Maurice E. "Micky" Lee, III, of San Francisco, Calif., Kevin Patrick (Susan) Lee of Boulder, Colo., and Theresa Ann Lee, of Fairview Heights, Ill. ; her sister, Catherine Meierbachtol of El Cajon, Calif.; a brother, James (Darleen) Meyers of Helendale, Calif.; nephew, Monsignor Michael Meyers of Los Angeles, Calif.; three grandchildren and many nieces and nephews.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Fairview Heights Public Library or the Poor Clare Monastery of Belleville.