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## Congressman Akin and his wife Lulli regret to announce the passing of Lulli's mother, Bissi Boe

### **Bissi Boe**

**August 5, 1917 – May 8, 2009**

Karen Elisabeth "Bissi" Boe, formerly of Litchfield and Wilton, CT, died peacefully on May 8. She was 91 years old.

Bissi was born in Trondheim, Norway, the daughter of Consul Lorentz Cappelen-Smith (who spent 4 years in Hitler's Greni Concentration Camp during WW II) and Lulli Bugge Cappelen-Smith, on August 5, 1917. While studying at The London School of Economics and Oxford, she was vacationing in France when World War II precluded her from returning to England or Norway. Bissi escaped the mobilization to an uncle in New York City in 1939. After completing her degree at Bryn Mawr College, she married Carsten Fritjof Boe, an engineer/inventor from Oslo, Norway in 1941.

She raised a fun-loving family of six children in Delaware, Pennsylvania, Litchfield, CT and Castine, Maine. Bissi is survived by her son Carl Boe, of Scarborough, NY, and 4 daughters, Dagny Eason and Karen Miller, both of Wilton, CT, Ingri Boe-Wiegaard, of Easton, CT, and Lulli Akin, of St. Louis, MO, as well as 14 grandchildren and 3 great-grandchildren. Another son, Petter Boe, died in 1990. Her husband, Carsten, died in 1991.

Bissi will be buried next to her husband in Litchfield, CT. Her family and friends will miss her warm, friendly personality.

