



Ramona Violet Erwin

August 22, 1923 - March 5, 2014

Ramona Violet Erwin (Forman) died Mar. 5, 2014 in Vacaville. She was born in Napa on Aug. 22, 1923; a third generation Napan. She attended Napa High School and worked at the Cameron Shirt Factory and Mare Island Naval Shipyard. She served in the US Navy WAVES (WWII), as a Hospitalman, serving at Alameda Air Station and Mare Island Naval Hospital. She was a long time member and parish volunteer of Saint John's Catholic parish.

Ramona and her husband Daniel G. Erwin Sr. moved to Vacaville from Napa in 2004 residing at Merrill Gardens, a senior community. She was a member of the Red Hat Society, enjoyed bingo, was a book club member. She was on the communities Wii Bowling Team. She enjoyed painting and retrained her membership in the Napa Valley Art Association. She was a member of the Fleet Reserve #198.

Mrs. Erwin is survived by her children Daniel G. Erwin Jr. (Nina) of Vacaville, CA, John Erwin(Marilyn) of Camarillo, CA, Thomas Erwin(Adeline) of Richland, WA; Mary Howard(Gary) of Crescent City, CA, Patricia Erwin Tornai (Jeff) of Cloverdale, CA, Kathleen Nefzger (Rick) of Auburn, CA, and Diana Pappas (Greg) of Cupertino, CA; 15 grandchildren and 6 great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband Daniel G. Erwin, Sr. in 2008, mother Lulu D. Forman (Jacks) and father Lewis H. Forman.

Visitation will take place at Claffey and Rota Funeral Home on Tuesday, March 11, 2014 at 3:00 pm, followed by a recitation of the rosary at 7:00 pm. A Funeral Mass will be held at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church, Napa, on Wednesday, March 12, 2014 at 10:00 am.

Donations in her memory may be made to Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center, P.O. Box 27106, New York, NY 10087-7106.

Events

MAR **Visitation** 03:00PM - 07:00PM

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Claffey & Rota Funeral Home
1975 Main Street, Napa, CA, US, 94559

MAR **Rosary** 07:00PM - 08:00PM

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MAR **Mass** 10:00AM - 11:00AM

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St. John the Baptist Catholic Church
983 Napa St, Napa, CA, US, 94559

Comments



“ My dearest cousins: What can I say? She became my long distance second Mom once my Mom passed 8 years ago. We had long and personal and caring chats--she always said I made her laugh, especially after Uncle Chubby died. Sadly, I can't fly so couldn't get out there the last 5 yrs. though I missed her so. When she called me a few weeks ago from hospital she said such lovely things to me and how she appreciated my calls and cards and love, but our last words reflected we both knew it would be our last chat on this earth. She did, however, laugh and sent me her love before she had to hang up. I knew that was our last talk and I cried all day. I can only hope that Uncle Sonny and all those she loved met her as she moved into heaven. To my favorite and only Pacific Coast beloved aunt, I send her all my best wishes that she is now at rest and out of pain, from her NJ "adopted" daughter. Know that you are all in my heart and prayers and I feel all the pain you do. I only hope she knew how much my heart is breaking; even more so than when I lost my wonderful Uncle Sonny. Much too sad that too many years were wasted between us due to the "Erwin" stigma out here on the East Coast. Uncle Charlie and Aunt Aggie send their fond condolences also. God bless you all and please keep in touch; I can never forget you all. Your loving East Coast cousin, Judy

Judy Ricca - March 21, 2014 at 05:53 PM



“ I loved Ramona during her years at Merrill Gardens. She was the kindest and most humble sweetest and gentle person. She and I spent many hours doing crafts and she was always my "Bingo" volunteer. Very much missed. Prayers to you all. Kathy Singh

Kathy Orr Singh - March 15, 2014 at 08:54 AM



“ I have such wonderful memories of Aunty Vi; she was such a grand lady. May the entire Erwin clan know that my memories of her will always be filled with love. I will cherish the phone calls we shared and the time we spent together in Humboldt County. She will be missed!

Virginia Mead,
Grants Pass, OR

Virginia Mead - March 09, 2014 at 09:42 PM