



# Alston Ahern Lewis Horrocks

March 15, 1927 - June 28, 2015

## ALSTON AHERN LEWIS HORROCKS

1927 – 2015

Alston Ahern Lewis Horrocks, 88 of Los Angeles, CA was surrounded by her loving children and family when she passed peacefully on Sunday June 28, 2015 after a brief illness. Alston is survived by her children, Marie Angele Lewis Hayashi of Santa Monica, CA, Patrick Ahern Lewis (Nancy) of Brentwood, CA, Amy Ann Aldridge of Napa, and Andrew Alston Lewis (Marjorie) of Napa and was 'Muni' to grandchildren Kenneth Hayashi (Susana), Hilary Spannagel (John), Michael Patrick Lewis (Esther), Jody Lewis, Jack Lewis, Emily Frances McClain (Terry), Timothy Cole Lewis (Jo Erin), Benjamin Ahern Lewis, Katherine Bjerke (Jeb), Andrew P. Lewis(Krista) and many great grandchildren. Alston is also survived by her loving nieces, Alston Ahern, Nancy Ahern, Charlene Ahern and Michele Ahern.

Alston was born on March 15, 1927 in Santa Monica, CA to Albert Michael and Eulalie Farrell Ahern. She is predeceased by her parents and sister Frances Lee Ahern and brother Michael Albert Ahern.

Alston graduated from Marymount High School in Los Angeles, and attended Dominican College and U.C. Davis where she was one of the first women enrolled in Enology Studies. While at U.C. Davis she met Tom M. Lewis who had recently returned from service in World War II. Alston and Tom married in 1948 and eventually settled in the Napa Valley where they worked at the

Ahern's family pioneering winery, Freemark Abbey. To this day, the Ahern family continues to farm, growing grapes for Freemark Abbey. The couple and their children, Angele, Patrick, Amy Ann, Thomas 'Tiger' and Andrew all grew up on Sierra Avenue in Napa. Alston was active in the newly built Bel-Aire neighborhood and was sought out for advice by many of the young parents. Alston was particularly proud of her Catholic faith and played an integral and active part in the establishment of St. Apollinaris Catholic Church and School. Alston hosted many dinners and outings for the St. A's nuns including road trips to Lake Tahoe.

Alston and Tom divorced in 1978 and she later married Captain (USN Retired) John Nelson 'Mike' Horrocks. Alston and Mike started a new life in Washington D.C. During their 25 years in Washington, D.C. Alston and Mike became very involved in Washington's political scene and enjoyed spending time with Mike's children, Erin Findlay (deceased), Brigid Davis, Michael Horrocks, Nora Moseley, Harry Horrocks and their families. Mike and Alston traveled the world together and spent happy times visiting their children and grandchildren scattered across the country. After Mike's death in 1996, Alston moved back to Los Angeles. Following her Catholic faith, Alston became very involved in St. Paul the Apostle Church of Los Angeles. Alston was very active in senior activities at the church and made many new friends. Alston was also a lifetime supporter of the St. Helena Catholic Church.

Alston's faith and belief in God granted her the strength to endure the deaths of husband Mike, son Tom and her former husband Tom M. Lewis, all in 1996, as well as the passing of her grandson, Jack Lewis in 2011.

Alston will always be remembered for her beauty, grace, charm, generosity, elegance and staying up on current events. A ferocious reader, she was never stumped for an answer!

Alston's children would like to thank her loving caregivers Susan, Teresa, Cynthia, Maria and Mercedes for their devotion, compassion and care of their mother.

A Rosary will be held at Claffey and Rota Funeral Home, 1975 Main Street,

Napa on Sunday, July 5, 2015 at 7pm. Visitation hours starting on Sunday, July 5, 2015 at 1pm. A funeral mass will be celebrated by Monsignor John Brinkle on Monday, July 6, 2015 at 1pm at St. Helena Catholic Church. A graveyard service will follow mass at Holy Cross Cemetery in St. Helena.

# Cemetery Details

## Holy Cross Catholic Cemetery

2121 Spring St  
St Helena, CA 94574

# Previous Events

## Rosary

JUL 5. 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM (PT)

Claffey and Rota Funeral Home  
1975 Main Street  
Napa, CA 94559  
(707) 224-5210  
[services@claffeyandrota.com](mailto:services@claffeyandrota.com)  
<http://www.claffeyandrota.com>

## Mass

JUL 6. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (PT)

St. Helena Catholic Church  
1340 Tainter St  
St. Helena, CA

# Tribute Wall



“ *Alston Ahern Lewis Horrocks*

September 29, 2022 at 04:54 PM



“ *Alston Ahern Lewis Horrocks*

September 29, 2022 at 02:55 PM



“ *I've known Muni as my Nana's best friend, and the amazing rock for Tim and Ben (my cousins). I was blessed to spend time with her and see her amazing presence in person. Truly a remarkable woman with a remarkable family. I am so sorry! She truly will be missed but man did she make an imprint on a lot of peoples lives!*  
*Ashley Pierringer*

ashley pierringer - July 04, 2015 at 09:58 AM



“ *David and Katey Cole Pierringer purchased the I magination Blooms for the family of Alston Ahern Lewis Horrocks.*



David and Katey Cole Pierringer - July 03, 2015 at 03:45 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Alston Ahern Lewis Horrocks.



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July 02, 2015 at 01:13 PM