



## Constance Audrey Dillon

July 2, 1915 - July 23, 2017

Connie has seen her last sunrise. She passed away peacefully on Sunday morning, July 23, 2017 in Napa at 102 years young.

Born and raised in San Francisco, Connie was born Constance Audrey Bauchou on July 2, 1915. Her parents were Isabelle Fredericks Bauchou and Jean-Pierre Bauchou. She was an only child and lost her father to the 1918 Flu Epidemic when she was three. Her mother later remarried Charles Lagrave who adopted her in 1932. She also had two loving grandparents who helped to raise her, Therese and Albert Fredericks. Connie graduated from Balboa High School in 1932 and graduated from San Francisco State University in 1936 with a B.A. in Education. She taught elementary school for a short time until her marriage to the love of her life, Joe Dillon, in 1939.

Joe and Connie moved to Napa in 1939 where Joe began his lifelong career in banking. Connie remained at home to raise their family of five children. She became involved with St. John's Catholic School which her three oldest attended. She also served on the Office of Economic Opportunity, O.E.O, and served as a member and officer with the Napa County Catholic Social Services Auxiliary. In her early 40's Connie began her pursuit of painting. Always creative, she became a prolific artist and learned oil painting, acrylic and pastels. Her interest in art lead her to join with other artists to form The Depot Art Gallery in Yountville in the 1970's. In the 80's and 90's she joined The Artists of the North Bay, a group of artists working to promote and exhibit their works. Connie continued her artwork well into her 90's.

Connie and Joe loved and enjoyed their family and great friends. They were members of the Italian Catholic Federation and SIRS. Connie and Joe had fond memories of their travels throughout Europe, Mexico and the U.S. Kind and gracious, Connie was always interested in everyone she met, who they were, what they did. Her style was eclectic with a love for art and antiques.

Connie is survived by her five children: Wayne (Carolyn), Terry (Yolanda), Maureen Langenbach (Peter), Kevin (Karla Noyes) and Michelle Dillon; 6 grandchildren: Denis Dillon (Hilary), Kelley Dillon Barkocy (Jonathan), Jonathan Dillon, Jovel Dillon, Aaron Langenbach, Joshua Langenbach (Casey); and 4 great grandchildren: Patrick and Megan Dillon, Davis Barkocy and Inez Dillon-Sculley. She is preceded in death by her husband

Joseph Dillon who passed away in 2006. They were married for 67 years. She is also preceded by her cousins Gertrude Langer of Sacramento and Clinton Jones of Tiburon. The family is deeply grateful for her excellent care by her doctors and their staffs over the years. She enjoyed her life at The Meadows of Napa Valley and the great people she befriended. The family also thanks her caregivers over the years: Jean Gochenouer, Pamela Obranovich and the Ladies at Hired Hands. The family is also deeply thankful for the wonderful care she received at The Villas as well as those who took care of her at the Care Center these last few months. Her kind spirit and gentle wit will be missed by all. Family and friends are invited to attend the viewing Wednesday, July 26th from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. at Claffey and Rota Funeral Home, 1975 Main Street in Napa. A funeral mass will be held at St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church 2725 Elm Street in Napa on Thursday, July 27th at 10 a.m. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to The Carmelite Nuns of California, c/o Carmelite Monastery, 27601 Highway One, Carmel, CA 93923 or The Queen of the Valley Foundation, 1000 Trancas Street in Napa, CA 94558. Burial will be held Friday July 28th at Holy Cross Cemetery in Colma.

# Cemetery Details

## Holy Cross Catholic Cemetery (Colma)

1500 Mission Road  
Colma, CA 94014

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUL **26.** 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (PT)

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

## Mass

JUL **27.** 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (PT)

St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church  
2725 Elm Street  
Napa, CA 94559

# Tribute Wall



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