



## Hope Barragan Barthel

January 3, 1933 - January 12, 2014

Our beautiful Mom went to join our Lord surrounded with love on January 12, 2014. Mom fought a courageous battle against pancreatic cancer with dignity and grace. We are blessed to have shared that journey with her.

Our Mom was born on January 3, 1933 at Stanley Ranch in Napa to Aureliano (Tony) and Guadalupe (Lupe) Casares. Mom attended Los Amigos Elementary. Mom's family moved to St. Helena in 1940 as her father was employed by Beringer Brothers Winery. Mom attended St. Helena Elementary, Junior High and High School graduating with the Class of 1950. Shortly after high school Mom was employed at Bank of America. In 1951 Mom married her high school sweetheart (and long time family friend), Richard Barragan. A few months later as a new bride, Mom left St. Helena to join her husband, who was in the Air Force, at Elmendorf Air Force Base in Anchorage, Alaska. Their first two children, Randy & Catherine, were born in Alaska. After our Dad's discharge in 1954, they returned to Napa and established their permanent home on Lilienthal Ave. A couple years later their third child, Brenda, was born.

Growing up on Lilienthal Ave. is where we had some of the most memorable times not just for our family but for many of our friends that called Lilienthal Ave. home and became part of our extended family. Those memories are still cherished and shared to this day.

With their first three children almost grown Mom & Dad decided an empty nest was not for them. Christina Marie was born on July 4, 1972. Our very own firecracker! As Christina grew there were trips to Disneyland, Mexico, and Hawaii. And there were always motor-home trips to Tahoe and Wrights Beach where anyone that wanted to go was welcomed with open arms and treated like family.

Mom & Dad sacrificed to put all of their children through Siena and Justin High School. With Mom not only raising four children but working full time at various businesses in Napa. Their main goal was to make sure that their children's needs were met.

Sadly our Dad went to be with our Lord in 1989. Mom kept Lilienthal Ave as our refuge and many more good memories were made. We will forever miss him.

Seven years later our Mom met the second love of her life. Robert (Bob) Barthel. They enjoyed traveling together in their RV and seeing the sights from the West to East Coast. They also took a trip to Israel. They spent much of their time in Lincoln, CA where Christina and her family moved. Mom especially enjoyed spending time with her great grandchildren. Many beautiful memories and long lasting friendships were made there.

Our Mom had a huge heart and everyone she touched was enveloped in her love. We appreciate all those who have visited and sent cards sharing their special memories of a very special lady, Our Mom.

Our Mom was employed as a secretary / bookkeeper for 50 plus years and was a member of many organizations. One of her favorites being St. Johns No. 26 YLI. One of her much loved events was the enchilada take-out dinner

where she was the original enchilada queen.

Our Mom was predeceased by our Dad, Richard Barragan, her parents, brothers, Johnny & Conrad (Poncho) Casares, & sister Helen Mealey. She is survived by her husband Bob Barthel, her children: Randy (Sean) Barragan, Hawaii, Catherine (John) Schimmer, Napa, Brenda Miller, Napa, Christina (Jamie) McCarty, Lincoln, Robin Raymond, Richmond. Grandchildren: Eric (Stacy), Mari, Julie, & Heather Schimmer, Jacquelyn & Madison McCarty, & Amber Gwen. Great Grandchildren: Elijah Schimmer, James & Matthew Collins. Sister-in-law Tonia Salazar . Nieces and Nephews: Ron (Ruth) Mealey, Barbara (Larry) O'Brian, Debbie Mealey, Cindy Mealey, Anthony Mealey, Mick (Chely) Salazar, Holly (Mike) Clark, Gina (Joe) Rasler, Renee (Jayme) Barragan, Teresa (John) Mack, Roy (Rachel) Barragan, Steve (Evelee) Barragan and Debbie (John) Moussa. And many other family members that we hold dear to our hearts.

Our Family would like to thank everyone who took special care of our Mom and shared this journey with us. Diane (Sis) Slaight we could not have done this without you. You are forever our family. Thank you to the Hospice Nurses and Caregivers, Carol, Carolyn, Seana, Lynne, Susan, Jessica, Patricia, Aunt Toni, Sylvia, Maria, and Angela. Thank you all from the bottom of our hearts.

And to Christina – Mom was so proud of the way you stepped up and took on the job of her primary caregiver. You willingly gave up your job and your family life to ensure that our Mom's last journey here was peaceful and loving. Mom was so thankful that you were there, and so amazed that you were able to do this. You are truly amazing. Thank you and your family for the sacrifices you made for our Mom. With all our love we thank you.

Viewing at Claffey & Rota Friday, January 17th, 12 – 4 pm. Rosary Friday

night 7pm at St. Thomas Aquinas Church.

Funeral Full Mass Saturday, January 18th 10 am at St. Thomas Aquinas Church with Reception following.

Donations in her memory may be made to St. Thomas Aquinas Church or Hospice of Napa Valley.

# Cemetery Details

## Tulocay Cemetery

411 Coombsville Rd  
Napa, CA 94558

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 17. 12:00 AM - 4:00 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>

## Rosary

JAN 17. 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM (PT)

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

## Mass

JAN 18. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (PT)

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

# Tribute Wall



“ *Hope Barragan Barthel*

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September 29, 2022 at 04:54 PM



“ *Hope Barragan Barthel*

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September 29, 2022 at 02:55 PM



“ *oh Cathy, Randy, Brenda and Christina I just found out my momma bear died. i'm so so sad. I guess the guy up stairs was taking care of me by not letting me know at the time of her illness because it was the exact time my mom was in hospice. she died on December 5 2013. I couldn't have bared knowing about your mom's illness while taking care of my mom. I loved your mother and she loved me back! and all of you guys are very special to me. God bless... P.S. I still make momma bear enchiladas and airport potatoes!!! and always will*

*with deep love,  
Nancy Calle  
9/7/17*

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**Nancy Calle** - September 07, 2017 at 10:49 PM

JS

“ This morning, Steve informed me of your Mom's passing. I am shocked, and a bit embarrassed that I was not there for you guys. You were there when Paulie passed away, and when Mom died last year. Hopeless was a phenomenal woman and I have been proud and honored to have been loved by her and to have been included in your family. Prayers and best wishes, Jayme Silva

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**Jayme Silva** - January 21, 2014 at 04:08 PM

RC

“ To Randy and all his family. I'm so sorry for your loss. Your mom was a wonderful person. You are all in my prayers.

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**Rick Cabral** - January 19, 2014 at 01:40 PM

JD

“ My condolences to family and friends. Hope was a long-time family friend. My childhood memories are of a wonderful woman with a never-ending smile and a constant beam of joy. She will be missed.

*Heaven just got a little happier!*

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**John Valenzuela DC** - January 18, 2014 at 03:15 PM

SD

“ Christina and family, so sorry to hear of the passing of your Mom... Our prayers and thoughts are with you and your entire family. Sincerely, Ron Sr, Sherry, Ron Jr and Sean

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**Sherry Drapinski** - January 17, 2014 at 08:10 PM

JS

“ *To the Barthel Family:*

*It is such an honor to know this wonderful lady. We pray God's special blessings and comfort for you.*

*John Armstrong and Staff...Valeta, Riki, Kirsten and Heather*

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**john armstrong and staff** - January 17, 2014 at 06:53 PM

RG

“ *Our prayers are with all her family members. God bless you all.  
LOVE Ron and Cindi Galindo*

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**Ron and Cindi Galindo** - January 17, 2014 at 11:30 AM

CG

“ *Carmen Garcia lit a candle in memory of  
Hope Barragan Barthel*



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**Carmen Garcia** - January 15, 2014 at 10:05 AM

CG

*Beautiful Hope, Beautiful Heart, Beautiful Friend, will never forget the wonderful moments we shared together. Your love for your daughters, grandchildren and husband. Our deepest condolences will miss you and will never forget you.*

*As you said with your strong faith you will join the Holy Spirit  
Love you forever our Hope.*

*Carmen Garcia and family*

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**Carmen Garcia** - January 15, 2014 at 10:23 AM

SS

WE HAVE KNOWED HOPE AND BOB FOR SO MANY YEARS  
GREAT PEOPLE WILL MISS YOU HOPE.  
STEVE AND NANCY SCHMELING

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**STEVE SCHMELING** - January 17, 2014 at 11:10 AM

RM

“ 2 files added to the album *New Album Name*



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**Ruth Mealey** - January 14, 2014 at 06:06 PM