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Marjorie was born in Glendale, CA on January 31, 1929. She was welcomed home by her older brother, Lloyd Michel, to the family home within the orange groves of Fillmore, CA. At 1½ years old she moved to the Los Angeles area with her mother.

After her mother moved to Spokane, Washington she married Birt DeWitt, whom Marjorie affectionately referred to as “Daddy”. Her mother soon gave birth to 3 more brothers whom she loved dearly (Richard, Birt, and Edward DeWitt). They enjoyed family life on a chicken ranch. She loved and often spoke of the cultures, farms and agriculture of Spokane.

After the death of her beloved stepfather, and the challenges of WWII, her mother took all five children to live in Fillmore once again. Later, they returned to Washington but ultimately returned home to California. She attended high school in San Rafael, later graduating high school from Vallejo Junior College in 1946.

Being a child of the Great Depression left a lasting impression upon her. Since housing was so short during the war, she often spoke of chicken coops being turned into rental housing units, as well as of people working together to support the war efforts.

Shortly after high school graduation, she met her future husband. Together they had four children; Donna Woods, Michelle McMaster, Melvin Dworak Jr,

and Douglas Dworak. After the birth of her youngest son she moved her children to Napa, CA to be closer to her mother, Gertrude Dorothy McDowell Michel DeWitt Hie. At this time, she started her beloved career in the wine industry spending 30+ years at Buena Vista Winery in Sonoma. She worked there until she was 70 years old, retiring as Vice President of Administration. She was honored with a lovely retirement event complete with a red carpet, endless love, funny memories, and professional tributes.

After raising her children on her own, she proudly purchased herself a newly constructed home. She took great pleasure in decorating the inside and outside of her very own home. She personally planted and maintained her evergreens, irises, and roses within the beautiful landscaping she designed. Within her home, she found her sanctuary of joy. She lived there up to her very last breath, when at such time she was surrounded by loving family. Marjorie graciously served her community through St. Vincent de Paul, Catholic Charities, and The Table.

In retirement, she enjoyed traveling with family, nationally and abroad. She also did extensive genealogy research gifting each child and grandchild with ancestry books. Welcoming and visiting with her four children, her seven grandchildren, and her eleven great grandchildren were her most joyous moments.

She is survived by her children, Donna (Steve) Woods, Michelle McMaster, Melvin (Carol Ann) Dworak Jr and Douglas Dworak. Her seven grandchildren, Kimberly McMaster, Jennifer (Joshua) Schittl, Stephanie (Marcello) Venuta, Tiffany (Robert) Mitchell, Samantha Dworak and Stephen (Lina) Dworak. She was preceded in death by her grandson, Melvin Dworak, III. Additionally, she is survived by 11 great grandchildren, Sophia Venuta, Solomon Schittl, Sierra Venuta, Nathan Schittl, Savana Venuta, Linda Schittl, Cally Dworak, Sarah Schittl, Maximus Mitchell, Analiese Mitchell and Sylas Dworak.

In lieu of flowers, we ask that donations be made to St. Vincent de Paul, Catholic Charities, The Table, or the American Heart Association.

A funeral service will be held on Friday, October 7th, 2022 at 1:30pm at

Claffey and Rota Funeral Home in Napa.

Previous Events

Funeral Service

OCT 7. 1:30 PM - 2:30 PM (PT)

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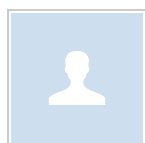
<http://www.claffeyandrota.com>

Tribute Wall



“ We love you Aunt Marge. We have so many wonderful memories to keep you in our hearts for all time. We look forward to seeing you again when the Lord calls us home to join you. Dan and Jo Michel

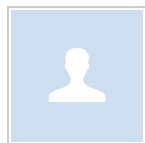
Dan and Joanna Michel - October 06, 2022 at 12:05 AM



“ Crystal Cross Bouquet was purchased for the family of Marjorie Jeanne Dworak.



September 30, 2022 at 12:00 PM



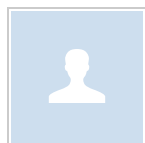
“ Marjorie Jeanne Dworak

September 29, 2022 at 04:54 PM



“ So many beautiful memories. Aunt Marge and Mom laughing and frying chicken in early morning before parade, riding swings at festival with me and her shoe flew off, camping trips, her "I love you's" and hugs. She was always there in good times and bad to offer love and comfort. Such a gentle, gracious soul, beautiful inside and out. I love you, Aunt Marge.

Candice Woods - September 29, 2022 at 03:45 PM



“ Marjorie Jeanne Dworak

September 29, 2022 at 02:55 PM



“ *Ocean Breeze Spray was purchased for the family of Marjorie Jeanne Dworak.*



September 28, 2022 at 09:26 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Marjorie Jeanne Dworak.*



September 28, 2022 at 01:29 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Marjorie Jeanne Dworak.*



September 28, 2022 at 12:46 AM



“ *You will forever influence my life and comfort me with the unconditional love given often and with grace. Rest In Peace, dear Mother,*

Michelle McMaster - September 27, 2022 at 08:16 PM