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Nancy Taber Moore



Nancy Taber Moore passed away peacefully on June 7 at the age of 99.

Nancy was born on Sept. 19, 1917 in Winters, California to Percy and Nancy Taber. Nancy was raised in Berkeley, California, attending Jefferson Elementary School, Garfield Junior High School, Berkeley High School, and the University of California, Berkeley, where she earned a degree in Textiles as an honor student. She married Robert Hill Moore of Seattle, Washington on Nov. 23, 1944, whom she met at an Officer's Club dance in 1943. They were married for 42 years until Bob's passing in 1986.

Nancy and Bob lived in Seattle, Washington and Portland, Oregon before settling in Orinda, California in 1956. Nancy worked as the executive secretary for the president of the Western Pacific Railroad during WWII and became a fulltime homemaker when Bob returned home from wartime duties in the Pacific in 1945. Nancy and Bob raised three sons, Bob, Don, and Ken. She was locally active in the AquaBears Swim Team, the Orinda Book Club, the Orinda Garden Club, and St. Stephens Episcopal Church. Additionally, she was a lifetime member and very active in the Prytanean Women's Honor Society of the University of California.

Nancy loved her home state of California and loved to travel. She was just as at home at Lake Tahoe, where she had a vacation home, as she was in Orinda. Her lifelong passion was gardening. She maintained an extensive camellia and rose garden and was always surrounded by her Collies and cats. When not gardening, Nancy traveled extensively with friends and family.

Nancy is survived by her sons Bob (Lois) of Truckee, California, Don (Wendy) of Lake Oswego, Oregon, and Ken (Audrey) of Bend, Oregon; grandchildren Erik, Robyn, Kevin, Kyle, Christopher, and David; and great-granddaughter Jaden. Nancy was preceded in death by her granddaughter Christine in 1980 and her brother William in 1992.

If you wish to donate on Nancy's behalf, her preference would be: Prytanean Women's Honor Society, c/o Cal Alumni Association, 510-900-8200

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