



DONNA JEAN ROLEDER

June 26, 1930 - March 27, 2014

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Donna Jean (nee Weigum) Roleder passed away on March 27, 2014. She was 83.

Memorial services will be held April 13, 2014 at 2:00 p.m. at the Peace Lutheran Church in Grass Valley.

She was born in Hazen, North Dakota on June 26, 1930 to Fred and Betty Weigum. After high school, she enrolled in the Parish Worker's Program at Wartburg College in Waverly, Iowa. Donna returned to North Dakota to teach elementary grade levels in a one-room school house in rural North Dakota. With her family, Donna visited Lodi, California during the winter and there met Pastor William Roleder, whom she subsequently married. She directed children's choirs at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Lodi and at Faith Lutheran Church in Coquille, Oregon. From Oregon, Donna and Bill were called to First Lutheran Church in Torrance, California, where they served 30 years.

Donna continued to assist in parish work as a talented choral conductor and teacher as well as a counselor to various groups and organizations of the church. Her greatest satisfaction was in working with the children's choirs.

Two children were born to this union, Joy (nee Roleder) Kunz, presently Professor of Art History at Santa Barbara City College, and Jonathan William Roleder, President of Earthlite Manufacturing Company.

Upon retirement, Donna and her husband designed and built their home in Lake Wildwood, where they have lived happily for the past 22 years. They

have been married for 62 years.

Donna is survived by her husband, William of Penn Valley; daughter, Joy Roleder-Kunz of Santa Barbara; son, Jonathan Roleder of San Diego and five grandchildren.

Flowers may be sent to Peace Lutheran Church for her service and any memorial contributions may be sent there as well.

Arrangements are under the care of Chapel of the Angels Mortuary in Grass Valley.

Tribute Wall

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“ *CHAPEL OF THE ANGELS MORTUARY lit a candle in memory of DONNA JEAN ROLEDER*



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