



MARGARET RHODA LEAGUE

March 8, 1919 - March 31, 2016

Margaret Rhoda League (These words come from Margaret's notes on her family written in 2009 that are to be included in genealogic family research) Margaret Rhoda League, March 8, 1919 - March 31, 2016, a divergently independent creative artist, wonderful daughter, wife, mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother passed away recently at the age of 97. Born in San Diego and raised in Calexico, Margaret recalled wild adventures growing up with her parents and the

“crew of six strong willed children.” Commenting on childhood memories she said, “I was excelling in school at everything and it was one of the greatest times in my life; school was one of the reasons I became a teacher. I wanted to share all my knowledge with everyone.” In her teens, she moved to Wilmington, California, where she bodysurfed all the beaches, danced at all the ballrooms, and graduated from Phineas Banning High School in 1936. All siblings also graduated from Banning High School in various years. She attended community colleges before her life was enriched by marriage in 1940 to Frank League, the fated “Forever Love of her Life.” They raised their own “crew of four fiercely independent children” and participated in the Wilmington Presbyterian Church as elders and choir members. Later in life she went back to college and rediscovered her creativity and passion for knowledge and the Arts and graduated from Long Beach State in 1968 with a BA in Art Education. She moved on to become an accomplished teacher, artist and

colorist for Los Angeles USD. She spent 13 years filling her dream palate before retiring to Chicago Park with Frank. They built a forever home and again participated in the local Presbyterian Church Choir. She painted and fervently contributed to the art community. In later years she said, "I might be a little cuckoo but I still have to paint. I have so many thoughts left to put down. My atoms are always bursting to paint." Even the last few days of her life she wanted to share her life and knowledge with all she met. Margaret is now sharing her life again with her "forever" friend and husband Frank League; parents Roy and Rhoda Rose; and brothers and sisters Virginia Howard, John Rose, Jerry Rose, and Hallie Rasmussen. She leaves behind a sister, Lucille Medina; also her children, Butler League (Sandra), Julie Said (Joseph), Mary Jo Weaver (Terry), Janice Daley (Gary); 10 grandchildren, nine great-grandchildren and 14 nieces and nephews on the Rose side of the family who will miss her dearly. Thank you, Mom, from all of us for all your wonderful gifts and talents. You are our "forever" special friend. The League/Rose legacy of creativity and independence lives on because of you. Internment was at Colfax Cemetery. Decisions for memorial services will be made at a later date.