



MARIAN V. WYCKOFF

August 24, 1930 - May 23, 2017

On May 23, in the early morning hours, Marian Alice (Bunny) Van Gorder Wyckoff peacefully left her family and friends in her Nevada City residence of 47 years. She had devoted her life to helping others, volunteering with several local organizations.

Bunny raised her three children, James Wyckoff (Santa Rosa), Janet Bertoncini (Nevada City) and Jennifer Blomberg (Sacramento) in Nevada City during the 1960s. She conducted the children's choir at Nevada City Methodist and Trinity Episcopal churches and sang in the adult choirs and was community leader of the Nevada City 4-H Club.

Born and raised in Palo Alto, California, Bunny grew up across the street from the Stanford University golf course where she "weeded the greens" and her father was the superintendant for several decades.

Born August 24th, 1930 to Catherine Terry and Ellis W. Van Gorder, Marian was a true "Depression Baby," scrimping and saving for the rest of her life.

In 1949, Bunny married Robert M. Wyckoff and the couple attended San Jose University. By 1960 the family of five migrated to the hills, attempting to escape the urban sprawl consuming their beloved "Paly." From their Highway 174 home, Bunny drove her VW bus (Bunny's blue box, Brunhilda) usually

with a couple little girls in the back, selling AVON from "farm to farm."

The family moved in 1962 to a big, drafty foundation-less, 13 room Victorian on Aristocracy Hill. Bunny worked for the Nevada Union Joint High School District as purchasing agent initially and the district bookkeeper until the early 1980s.

Returning to college, she earned her bachelor's degree in early childhood development from Sacramento State University. Later she became a massage therapist and an avid student of herbs, studying with her longtime friend Kathi Keville.

Bunny enjoyed community theater and performed both in Palo Alto and Nevada city productions.

She loved to sing and was "always in the chorus."

Bunny leaves behind her three children, seven grandchildren; and one tiny great-granddaughter.

Bunny's loving companion Charlie Waters and her kitty Jamie Lee miss her very much.

Tribute Wall



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