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Marilyn J. Johnson

JOHNSON, Marilyn J.



Our beloved Marilyn passed from the arms of her loving husband into the arms of her Heavenly Father in the early hours of May 1, 2007, in Rancho Murieta, Calif. Born Marilyn JoAnn Mai on January 18, 1936, to parents Emil and Mildred Mai. Marilyn was greeted in Heaven by her father Emil and father-in-law Emons. She is survived by her husband of 54 years, Ken Johnson, son Rick (and Nancy), daughter Kim and daughter Linda (and Jonathan). Also survived by her mother Mildred, brother Ronnie and sisters Arlene (and Jim), Donna (and Dave), Sheila (and Wayne) and Ginny (and

Gary). Also mother-in-law Alice and brother-in-law Don. Grandchildren; Selina, Cami, Blake, Zachary, Olivia, Nicholaus, Sara, Haley, Emma, Samuel, and Ethan. Great-grandchildren; Rhiannon, Kaylynn, Julian, Noah, Jack, Trinity, Noell, Sharlet, and Luke. The list of additional family and friends could fill pages here - she touched so many with her kindness and her spirit. She was greatly loved and shall be missed beyond measure.

Marilyn was born in International Falls, Minn., and moved to Portland, Ore., as a young girl. She was a wonderful student and stunning beauty (inside and out) and earned the title of Fushia Queen at the age of 17. Ken and Marilyn married young, in 1954, and built their first home together in Scappose, Ore. In 1969 they made the move to Sacramento, Calif., with their three children in tow. Marilyn was a devoted mother and wife, who had many talents including cooking, gardening, bowling, music, painting and drawing. She was also a lover of the sea and all it's majesty and visited the California and Oregon coasts when she could. She loved horses and raised Arabians during the 1980s at her ranch home, Eleven Oaks. Marilyn adored her mountain cabin "Mod Hemlin" and made many memories with her family and friends there. Marilyn also lived in Wilton and Elk Grove before settling in Rancho Murieta where she was a resident for nearly 10 years. She loved the open spaces of Rancho Murieta and enjoyed the deer and the beautiful views from her deck where she tended to her roses and hummingbirds. Marilyn was quite at home in her community surrounded by family & friends who miss her beautiful laugh and comforting hugs already.

Our loss is impossible to convey, our sorrow too great to overcome - yet our comfort comes in our faith and the knowledge that she is at peace and walking with God now. We celebrate her beautiful life and the legacy of love she left on this earth. Marilyn was a friend to all, compassionate and charitable with prayers and hugs for everyone. She lived a full and blessed life and was looking forward to her return home to be with The Lord. We praise God for all she was to each of us and for His grace as she went Home.

A celebration of her life was held on Sunday, May 6, 2007. Remembrances can be made to the Billy Graham Association in honor of Marilyn Johnson and her faith and hope that all should come to know the love of Christ. God Bless.

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