



## Carole J. Cordero

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Passed away peacefully at home following a courageous battle with cancer. Carole was born at Cottage Hospital and was a lifelong resident of Santa Barbara County.

When she was a child, her parents moved the family from Santa Barbara to Refugio, where Carole worked at the family owned concession stand, Refugio Beach Store. She graduated from Vista Del Mar Union Elementary School and Santa Ynez High School before attending Cal Poly. After college, Carole moved to Goleta, CA., where she helped build her house next door to her beloved paternal grandmother, Elizabeth Ford, who predeceased her. Carole lived in this same house for over 44 years.

Carole worked as a secretary at Certified Life Insurance for many years before quitting her job to work full time as a co-owner/secretary at Augie's Repair Service (now Augie's Repair Systems) along side her beloved husband of 29 1/2 years, Augustine Cordero, who predeceased her. After retiring, she

was proud the business was continued by her step-son, John (Peggy) Cordero, of Lompoc, CA. and her step-grandsons, Nick Cordero and Jason Cordero, both of Santa Barbara, CA.

Carole enjoyed reading, watching television, playing cards, attending events at the Santa Barbara Elks Lodge #613, camping with the Caravaneers and traveling with her extended family, including Augustine, her daughter, April Reid, of Vallejo, CA., her step-daughter, Norma (Joe) Lowery, of Downsville, LA. and her brother-in-law, Leroy Cordero, of Santa Maria, CA. She also enjoyed spending time at the vacation home she and Augustine built in Los Barriles, Mexico.

In addition to Carole's daughter, survivors include her brother, Gary (Linda) Hazard, of Nacimiento Lake, CA., her nephews, Michael Hazard and Mark Hazard, both of Burbank, CA., five step-children, nine step-grandchildren and six step-great-grandchildren.

A graveside service will be held on Thursday, February 9, 2012 at 11:00 a.m. at Goleta Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Visiting Nurse & Hospice Care, 222 E. Canon Perdido Street, Santa Barbara, CA. 93101

Arrangements by Welch-Ryce-Haider.

# Cemetery Details

## **Goleta Cemetery**

44 South San Antonio Road  
SANTA BARBARA, CA 93110  
(805) 967-3608

# Tribute Wall

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“ I only had the pleasure of knowing Carole since 2007 shortly before Augi passed away. She was our neighbor on Baker Lane. She was an amazing woman who I wish I had met sooner in life. She was the best neighbor anyone could ask for. Even while she was in pain, she always asked how everyone else was doing and would never complain. I am glad she is at peace and out of pain and I pray her family finds peace. I wish there were more people in this world like Carole.

*Robert Larson and Family.*

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**Robert Larson** - February 08, 2012 at 01:37 PM



“ My mom was an amazing mom. She always helped me whenever I needed it. When I was a child, she helped me with my Girl Scout projects and my baton and ballet lessons. She always made sure that I sold the most Girl Scout cookies each year. She never complained when she then had to help me deliver the cookies to the customers. She also stood on the sidelines while I marched in several parades with my baton group. When I was a child, my mom took care of our family dog, Teena, even though she did not like dogs. She loved anything to do with Elvis and she liked Red Skelton paintings. Though she loved Santa Barbara and she came from a long line of native Santa Barbara residents, she also loved Hawaii. She married her second husband in Kauai, Hawaii. Though she is gone now, I know she is with two of her favorite people in the world, her second husband, Augustine Cordero, and her grandmother, Elizabeth Ford, whom she named me after.

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**April Reid** - February 08, 2012 at 03:15 AM