



Doris V. Spink

January 27, 1924 - September 10, 2012

Doris Marie Spink, nee Vodak, died peacefully in her sleep Monday night, Sept. 10, 2012. She is predeceased by her husband, Bradley (1981), and her brothers Leonard and Warren and her sister Ruth Wilson. She is greatly missed by her children, Bradley (Cathleen), Stanley (Deborah), Roberta Teuscher (Dennis), William (Michele), and James (Lizabeth); and grandchildren Joshua, Matthew, Brian, Amanda, Melissa, Summer and Kyle; and great grandchildren Mikayla and Caleb.

She was born on Jan. 27, 1924, and she and her two older brothers were raised by her aunt and uncle on a dairy farm near Elroy, Wi. Her younger sister Ruth was raised in nearby Kendall by another aunt and uncle. She was her class valedictorian at Elroy H.S., and drum majorette for the band, and could astonish her granddaughters with her baton prowess well into retirement. She attended the State College in Milwaukee (now UWM) where she met the love of her life, Sgt. (to be) Bradley R. Spink. They stayed close during the war and married August 3, 1946.

Her life was dedicated to her children and husband, whose career with General Motors started with A.C. Spark Plug in Milwaukee in 1953 and continued at Delco Electronics in Goleta in 1972 until his death in 1981. During retirement her contributions to the community included 20 years as a volunteer for the Goleta Valley Hospital Auxiliary, and as a tutor for the Adult Literacy Program through the Goleta Library. She was an officer of the Posvenidos de Goleta service club for many years.

Our sadness has been greatly eased by the outpouring of support from friends. We also wish to acknowledge the kind and loving attention she received from the caretakers at Mission Terrace during her final weeks.

Cemetery Details

Goleta Cemetery

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

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP 18. 10:00 AM (PT)

Welch-Ryce-Haider - Goleta
450 Ward Drive
Santa Barbara, CA 93111
(805) 965-5145
info@wrhsb.com
<https://www.wrhsb.com>

Memorial Service

SEP 18. 11:00 AM (PT)

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The Spink family - September 17, 2012 at 03:17 PM

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The Spink family - September 17, 2012 at 03:25 PM

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“ *Ellen Minter lit a candle in memory of Doris V. Spink*



Ellen Minter - September 16, 2012 at 11:04 AM

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“ I hold deep within my heart the whale watching trip we took together several years ago. Although we saw no whales, it was a wonderful afternoon that we spent talking and talking and talking. She and my mother Ruth were very close and I know that bond still continues. Aunt Doris was and is a truly beautiful soul and her compassion and love will remain with me forever. I wish I could wrap my arms around all of you right now.

I love you.

Kathy

Kathryn Wilson - September 16, 2012 at 10:18 AM

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“ I couldn't have been blessed with a better grandmother. She is part of what has made me become the young woman I am today and I'm truly blessed to call her my inspiration. I love you grandma.

Love,

Your Sweet Amanda

Amanda Spink - September 16, 2012 at 02:14 AM