



Dorothy Elizabeth Warner Smith

March 4, 1914 - June 25, 2014

Passed away at her home on June 25, 2014 surrounded by her loving family and caregivers. Dorothy was born on March 4, 1914 in Cleveland, Ohio and grew up in Detroit, Mich. She is preceded in death by her husband, Sampson James, son Joel and grandson Todd. While attending Mary Balwin College, she met her beloved husband Sam, who was a student at University of Michigan. They married in 1934. In the summer of 1947, they migrated to Santa Barbara from Grasse Point, Michigan and settled in Mission Canyon. Married 61 years, they raised 8 children and enjoyed world travels. She was a devoted wife and mother who touched the lives of so many. They attending Montecito Presbyterian Church for years until transferring to 1st Congregation Church in the mid 60's. She volunteered as secretary for Recording for the Blind in the 80's and 90's and was also a member of the Santa Barbara Women's Club. She gained joy from her involvement in the church activities, especially the Dorcas Circle, whose primary project is making children's quilts. Affectionately known as "Dot" , her love of butterflies was legendary among her family and friends. She was an avid reader, doll collector and bird watcher. Dot loved dogs and had many devoted companions thru out her lifetime. Until recently, she faithfully attended the Santa Barbara Symphony. With family and friends Dot celebrated her 100th birthday at her home in March. She is survived by the eldest son, Sampson James Smith, Jr. (Donna) Judith Nielsen (Lief), Jacquelyn McHugh (Alan), LTC Janice Smith, Jennifer Smith (Diedre). Gerrold Smith (Mary) and Jeffrey Smith (Doreen). Grandchildren Cynthia,

Doreen, Jeanine, Michelle, P.J., Dorothy Sue and Jared. Great Grandchildren Elizabeth, Abby, Emmaline, Travis , Bradon, Salem, and Blair and her longtime caregivers Donna and Tina .A memorial service will be held on Wednesday, July 9th at 11:00 am at the First Congregational Church, 2101 State Street. In lieu of flowers contributions may be made in Dorothy's memories to Hospice of Santa Barbara, 2050 Alameda Padre Serra, Santa Barbara, CA 93103