



Elsa F. Carpenter

December 25, 1917 - May 25, 2015

Elsa was born to Emily Von Bergen Fehrman and B. George Fehrman on December 25, 1917 in Greenwich, CN. She attended Randolph-Macon Women's College in Lynchburg, VA and Univ. of Texas, Austin, studying English Lit. She worked for the federal government in Washington DC and Dallas. She met and married Darrell Carpenter while he was in law school at UT, moved to Lubbock where their daughter Carol was born in 1954. They lived in Hobbs, NM for 7 years and then moved to Daly City, CA. A few years after her divorce from Darrell she moved back to her beloved Virginia (Falls Church) and worked for the federal government in DC. In 1999 she moved to SB to be closer to her daughter. She greatly enjoyed life at Encina Royale, where she served a term on the Board in 2002. Elsa enjoyed traveling, spurred in part by her residing in Switzerland for a year as a child. Besides her love of bridge, crossword puzzles, reading, golf and snow, she was a devout Episcopalian and served on the Altar Guilds and Vestries of the various churches to which she belonged. She is survived by her daughter Carol (Janet). The caregivers who enabled Elsa to stay in her home until the end of her life were remarkable, Laura, Natasha, Mary, Paloma and Jessica. A Memorial service will be held on May 30 at 2 pm at Christ the King Episcopal church followed by a reception at her home. Any donations would be requested to be made to Sarah House or ASAP.