



Marjory June O'Dea

June 16, 1923 - September 8, 2012

O'DEA, Marjory June (Kumor)

1923 - 2012

Marjory June (Kumor) O'Dea, daughter of John P. Kumor and Amy Jackins Kumor, died peacefully on Sept. 8, at age 89. Marjory was born near Buffalo, WY on June 16, 1923.

Growing up on a ranch instilled a strong work ethic in her, as well as a deep love for nature. She helped her father with plowing, planting & harvesting. She graduated from Johnson County High School in 1941, Valedictorian of her class.

Marjory met her husband, John O'Dea, at a USO dance. He was in the Army; she was a secretary. John worked for the railroad in Ellensburg, WA after the Army. They were married there in August of 1946 at St. Andrew's Catholic Church. Marjory encouraged John to complete his education so he got his B.A. and later, his Master's Degree. They had two children so far, Dennis and Marian, and they moved to Santa Barbara, CA, where they have lived ever since. Their sons Kevin and Brian were born in Santa Barbara.

Marjory was a devoted, loving wife, mother, grandmother, great-grand

mother, daughter, sister, and friend. She was very active in her Church. She was a member of Catholic Daughters for fifty years, was also active in the Alter Society, and other Church programs, including Bible studies. She helped prepare the Holy Cross Cook Book. Marjory had such a vibrant personality, a delightful sense of humor, an easy, friendly, caring way about her.

Marjory had many interests. She took numerous classes over the years - Spanish, Polish, flower arranging, French cooking, etc. She got her AA degree in Library Science when her children were young and helped set up a library at their school. She also enjoyed researching her family history and heritage.

Marjory and her family spent winters in Santa Barbara where John taught accounting at SBCC for 35 yrs, and they spent 28 summers in Yellowstone Park, where he was a seasonal ranger. Yellowstone is just a day's drive from Buffalo, so Marjory and her children had the pleasure of spending several weeks each summer with her parents.

Marjory and John enjoyed traveling over the years and seeing the world together. They went to many European countries. They visited the Holy Lands with their church group. They spent 7 wonderful months in Australia, then saw Fiji and New Zealand.

Marjory is survived by her husband of 66 years, John O'Dea, her daughter Marian, her sons Dennis and Brian, her sister, Shirley, 12 grandchildren, 14 great-grandchildren, a great-great granddaughter, and numerous nieces and nephews. She is preceded in death by her sisters, Marion, Evelyn, and Meda, and her son, Kevin.

Marjory's family and friends miss her very much, but we are grateful that she is now in with her Lord. She is getting acquainted with saints and angels, and being reunited with loved ones in heaven.

Rosary is at Holy Cross Catholic Church, Wednesday at 7pm. Funeral Mass is at Holy Cross, Thursday at 10am. Contributions can be made to Visiting Nurse & Hospice Care, Who provided excellent and compassionate care to Marjory.

Cemetery Details

Calvary Cemetery

199 North Hope Ave
Santa Barbara, CA 93110
(805) 687-8811
http://www.archdiocese.la/directories/cemeteries/info.php?cemetery_id=3

Previous Events

Rosary

SEP **12**. 7:00 PM (PT)

Holy Cross Catholic Church
1740 Cliff Drive
Santa Barbara, CA 93109
(805) 962-0411

Funeral Mass

SEP **13**. 10:00 AM (PT)

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