



## Merilyn S. Vorster

September 30, 1941 - December 8, 2011

VORSTER, Merilyn Stuart

Age 70, entered eternal life on Sunday, December 4, 2011. Having dedicated her being to sharing the life-changing love of Jesus Christ with everyone from family to acquaintance on five continents, she succumbed to a long and painful illness despite a long and hard fought battle. "Never give up," was her favorite Churchill quote, and she lived it to her last breath. Born in South Africa, she supported her husband Ivan in all he did until the age of retirement, then navigating a difficult immigration to start from scratch in Santa Barbara. She is survived by her husband: Ivan Vorster, children: Ian Vorster, Lesaya Kelly, and Steven Vorster, and her grandchildren: Luke, Joseph, Caleb, Tamzine, Savanna, Rachael and Jamie. Her example and legacy will live on. Psalm 119:97-105.

Celebration of Life at Goleta Valley Church 595 North Fairview on Thursday, December 8 at 3:00pm.

Special thanks to everyone at Cottage Rehabilitation Hospital and Serenity House.

# Tribute Wall

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“ I wanted to express my condolences with the family and friends of Marilyn. I know death of someone you love so dearly is a hard thing to go through. I'd like to share with you a scripture from the Bible might be of some comfort. Psalms 46:1 says “God is for us a refuge and strength, A help that is readily to be found during distresses.” I hope this helps you as much as it has me, knowing that God is there for us when we are undergoing hardship.

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**Andrew Reed** - December 10, 2011 at 08:18 AM