



Phyllis Mae Hansen

November 27, 1923 - November 19, 2025

Phyllis Mae (Barber) Hansen passed away on November 19, 2025 at the age of 102. She was born February 27, 1923 in Gresham, Nebraska to Frank and Etta Barber. She and part of her family moved in 1939 to join the rest of her family in Carpinteria. She graduated from Carpinteria Union High School and later attended business school.

Phyllis married George Louis Hansen October 28th 1945 in the Carpinteria Community Church after he was released from the Army. George and Phyllis had 4 children. Phyllis enjoyed raising her children. The family hiked in the Sierra Nevada Mountains. There was at least one spin off a rock while crossing streams, but Phyllis didn't let that slow her down.

Phyllis was the Principal's Secretary at the Carpinteria Junior High School for 29 years and loved children of all ages. She also worked for Risdon's Service Station and Carpinteria Plumbing Company as bookkeeper.

She was a Girl Scout Leader for her girls and helped with the Boy Scouts when needed. She helped with the local blood bank for 15 years. She served her community on the election board for several years, and as interim secretary of the Carpinteria Chamber of Commerce..She was involved in Carpinteria Parent Teachers Association, receiving the Lifetime Award. She was President of American Business Women's Association Canalino Chapter

and was awarded Woman of the Year at the national convention in Detroit. She received a merit award at the Carpinterian of the Year banquet. She served as Americanism Chairman with the VFW Auxiliary. She was a founding member and served as Chairman and Secretary of her investment club. Phyllis was one of the founders of the Carpinteria Education Foundation. She served on the board of Girls Inc. in the years of planning for the new site and building. She was a board member of the Alpha Resource Center for three years. She served as Asst. Treasurer and Treasurer of the Carpinteria Historical Society for at least 10 years.

Starting at age 12, she taught Sunday School at the Presbyterian Church in Gresham, Nebraska, the Presbyterian Church in Carpinteria, and Carpinteria Community Church for a total of 50 years. She was an original member of the Community Church which her dad helped build. She served her church in many capacities; Deacon, Benevolence Treasurer, Women's Association Treasurer, and co-chaired the Spaghetti dinners with her good friend Nadine Walsh for at least 12 years.

After her husband George's death in 1996, Phyllis kept herself busy with Church groups, bowling and traveling with Nadine Walsh. You could always see her enjoying lunch on Fridays with her lunch bunch.

Phyllis enjoyed her many years and appreciated all her family and friends. She credits her longevity to good genes and keeping herself busy in the community. She was loved by all who knew her.

She leaves behind her children Ranell and husband Leroy Adams, Kevin and wife Lynn, Janna and husband Scott Claypool and Mavis: 4 grandchildren; Ian Hansen, wife Suzanne, Stacy Hansen, Erica and husband Kyle Cuzzort, and Risa Hansen-Claypool. She also leaves two adored great-grand children Atticus and Beatrix Hansen, along with many nieces and nephews who

referred to her as Auntie Phyl. Preceding her in death were her parents, Etta and Frank Barber, her husband George and her siblings Johnny, Florence, Bud, Gene, Fritz, Marilyn and their spouses.

Donations in her memory may be made to the Carpinteria Valley Historical Society, Carpinteria Community Church or a donation of choice.

Cemetery Details

Carpinteria Cemetery

1501 Cravens Lane
Carpinteria, CA 93013

Events

Details are pending.

Tribute Wall

KW

“ *What a joy it was for us to get to know, laugh with and love sweet Phyllis. A true salt of the earth kind of woman. Our hearts are with her large legacy of family members. Love- Friendship Center*



Kathryn Westland - December 03, 2025 at 04:22 PM