



Sondra Geoffrion

May 5, 1939 - August 30, 2014

Sondra (Cary) Geoffrion lost her long battle with Progressive Supranuclear Palsy (PSP, an atypical Parkinsonism) on 30 August 2014. She was born in North Adams, Mass. May 5, 1939 to parents Donald and Edith Cary and moved to Williamstown, Mass in 1941. She attended Williamstown public schools and graduated from Williamstown high school in 1957 where she was a member of the cheerleading squad, band, glee club, drama team and dean's list. She received Bachelor of Arts in English and earned a Teacher's Certificate from University of Massachusetts in 1961. She was a charter member of Alpha Chi Omega Sorority at UMass. Sondra married David Geoffrion in 1960 and lived as a military wife in Europe and several states. She taught in the Wayland, Wellesley and Weston school systems and as a private tutor. Upon moving to California in 1979, she wrote and published study skills books which sold world-wide, did private tutoring and gave seminars. She was active with the Alpha Chi Omega Sorority and house corporation at UCSB, American Association of University Women, and Goleta Women's Service Club where she was past president.

She loved travel and adventure, even as her illness had taken away her mobility and vocal expression. Long time member of Santa Barbara Elks Caravaneers, she traveled extensively throughout the US and Europe with her husband.

She leaves her loving husband of 53 years David, Son Steven and wife Frances, her daughter Joyce and husband Jack Snyder, six grandchildren

Danielle, Shannon, Jake, Louis, Robert and Sydney and two great grandchildren Kingston and Stella (with two more almost here).

In lieu of flowers the family request donations be made to "CurePSP" or Parkinson's Association of Santa Barbara in her name.

Funeral service will be held Thursday, September 11, 2014 11:00 A.M. at Welch-Ryce-Haider Goleta Chapel, 450 Ward Dr. Interment to follow at Goleta Cemetery.

Cemetery Details

Goleta Cemetery

44 South San Antonio Road
SANTA BARBARA, CA 93110
(805) 967-3608


Tribute Wall

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“ *Joyce Snyder lit a candle in memory of Sondra Geoffrion*



Joyce Snyder - September 21, 2014 at 08:01 AM

 Nancy Snyder

“ *My Heart goes out to the entire family. She will be missed at our tables but held in our hearts.
Hugs,*

Nancy Snyder - September 11, 2014 at 11:40 AM

MB

“ *My Dear David, Our friendship started at UMass so many decades ago. What fun we shared in the sixties in New England. My life was blessed again meeting Sondra and you here on the Central Coast. You both lived life to the fullest - a great testimony to your love for each other! Maureen*

Maureen McWeeny McLean Black - September 04, 2014 at 11:16 PM

DB

“ *I remember the many times I'd go over to swim at their house. Sandra was always there to supervise us crazy kids. I also remember one year where she made an elegant dinner and baked Alaska that was out of this world. I look forward to seeing her myself when we have our great reunion in heaven. Debra Brandwein*



Debra Brandwein - September 03, 2014 at 10:22 PM

KT

“ *I remember when she mad all the bonnets for the Girl Scouts. And we looked like pilgrims. They were precious. We had the best ones there. I do also remember sneaking a smoke on the side of the house with her from te to time. A little wine, and laughs. I will miss her. One spunky, classy , beautiful lady. Love from kelly*

kelly tyburski - September 03, 2014 at 01:53 AM