



### Jean Radford (1930 - 2017)

Jean Myer Radford died on January 19th of this year, the day before the inauguration of the 45th president, whom she did not vote for. She was 86 years young, born on May 6, 1930. She spent the first 85 years of her life in the East Bay and the last nine months in Sutter Creek, California. The Celebration of Life in her memory, will be held on March 11, 2017 at 11:00 a.m. at the First Presbyterian Church, located at 2407 Dana St., Berkeley (A reception will follow/Parking on Channing Way).

Jean was the daughter of Arthur "Pi" Myer (of Boy Scout Troop 17) and Ethel Levy Myer. Jean was a fourth generation Californian. She has four children, and is survived by all of them; Arthur Radford, Marie Radford Elliott and her husband, Ross Elliott, Andy Radford and his wife, Amy Hagen, and Beth Radford Haddorff. She has seven grandchildren: Perry Radford, Steven Elliott, Margaret Burnett and her husband, Joel Burnett, Becca Elliott, Michael Haddorff, Holly Radford and Ben Radford. She has one great granddaughter, Ruby Jean. She is survived by her sister, Barbara Myer Klein. Jean was preceded in death by her son-in-law Kim, granddaughter, Martha Jean, and many beloved family and friends.

Jean was adored by everyone who knew her. She loved her family and loved meeting new people. She made new friends everywhere she went. Jean was raised in Berkeley. She graduated from Berkeley High in 1948. and from Stanford in 1952. She received her teaching credential at Cal State East Bay. She taught music in the Oakland Public Schools for 30 years, including: Claremont, Joaquin Miller, Montera, Jefferson, Emerson, Washington, Burckhalter, Golden Gate, and West Lake. She consulted with Holy Names College and Piedmont Schools in their music programs. She played in the Oakland Civic, Holy Names, Berkeley Free and the Prometheus Orchestras. She loved chamber music and playing viola, violin and piano. Her main interest in life, after her children and their families, was music.

She also worked as a Social Worker for Alameda County, with the Oakland Symphony, and the US Forest Service. She loved to travel. New Zealand has a special place in her heart.

Contributions in her memory may be sent to the Sierra Club, (415) 977-5653, or the Santa Barbara Youth Symphony, 1330 State St. Suite 102, Santa Barbara, CA 93101 in her memory.

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