



Joyce (Herrmann) Schmidt

July 26, 1928 - April 17, 2023

Joyce Lorraine (Herrmann) Schmidt, age 94, passed away blissfully, like a scene from a Thomas Kincaid painting, on April 17, 2023 from natural causes in Rocklin, California. She was born in El Campo, TX July 26, 1928 to Emil & Annie Belle (Engbrock) Herrmann.

She is preceded in death by her parents, Emil & Annie Belle Herrmann, her sister Shirley Von Platen Luder, and brother, Richard Carl Herrmann. Joyce is survived by her daughter, Marcie VanderBoom of Rocklin, CA, son and daughter-in-law, Gary & Wendy Schmidt of Newport Beach, CA, five grandchildren, Gant VanderBoom (Ashley) of Meridian, ID, Garrett VanderBoom (Alyssa) Eagle Rock, CA, Gavin Schmidt, Newport Beach, CA, Cologne Trude (Sam) Venice, CA, and Cannon Schmidt, Del Rey, CA. Joyce is also survived by seven great grandchildren, Carter, Finley, Navy, & Ford VanderBoom, Riviera & Range Trude, & Dylan VanderBoom.

Joyce attended El Campo High School, graduating in May 1946. She married the love of her life, Gilbert Theodore Schmidt upon his return from service in World War II, at St. Philip the Apostle Catholic Church in El Campo, TX on August 21, 1946.

Joyce's life was filled with travel. She began her family in El Campo with the arrival of Marsha on September 7, 1947 and later Gary was born in Munich,

Germany on March 14, 1949 while stationed abroad.

The family's life was that of a typical military family, always traveling and experiencing new places. The perennial home became Sacramento, CA, punctuated by tours in Mobile, Alabama, Germany, Italy, and France. While abroad the family traveled extensively and experienced various cultures.

Beyond the love of her family, Joyce's many passions were genealogy, craft projects, helping Gilbert, no matter what the task, gardening, and last, but certainly not least, her dogs. So many dogs they deserve a mention inasmuch as they were such an important part of her life. There was Herrmann, Dutch, Casper, Bogart, Argent, Bozo, Daphne, Theo, et al. Her dogs gave her comfort and companionship before and after the passing of her husband.

Joyce's life can be summarized, and will be perhaps our strongest memory, as that of a devoted wife and mother. She was a person with an incredible work ethic and varying interests that she pursued with enthusiasm and skill.

Joyce will return to her birth place of El Campo, TX, where she remained connected, to be laid to rest beside her husband of sixty-seven years in the Herrmann family plot. We are all blessed to have had her in our lives.

Visitation will be from 5-7 p.m. Tuesday, May 2 at Triska Funeral Home. Graveside services begin 11 a.m. Wednesday, May 3 at Garden of Memories Cemetery.

Triska Funeral Home, El Campo, 979-543-3681

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 2. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Triska Funeral Home
612 Merchant Street
El Campo, TX 77437-3440
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Graveside Service

MAY 3. 11:00 AM (CT)

Garden of Memories
US Business 59 and CR 358
El Campo, TX 77437

Tribute Wall

EC

“ *Elaine Cook lit a candle in memory of Joyce (Herrmann) Schmidt*



Elaine Cook - May 03, 2023 at 12:12 AM

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“ *Tommy Wendel lit a candle in memory of Joyce (Herrmann) Schmidt*



Tommy Wendel - April 29, 2023 at 10:19 PM

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“ *It was always a treat when Uncle Gib and Aunt Joyce came to Texas to visit in their motor home. We loved listening to their stories and the visits (and the dogs-especially Dutch)*



Cindy Marek - April 29, 2023 at 10:50 AM

PD

“ *Patricia Dybala lit a candle in memory of Joyce (Herrmann) Schmidt*



Patricia Dybala - April 28, 2023 at 02:36 PM