



Jean O'Connell
Died April 19, 2023

Jean was born in Butte, MT but within a year she and her family moved to southern California. She graduated from high school in Hollywood and got a degree in art from Immaculate Heart College. After graduation she worked as an interior decorator for Bullocks Department Store in Los Angeles.

She has been widowed twice. She met her first husband, John, an engineer from Santa Clara University, at the senior prom at Immaculate Heart. After they married, they lived in West LA, Encino, San Fernando Valley, Seattle and Chicago, where he died when the youngest of their three daughters was 12 years old.

Jean moved her family back to Encino, and two years later, met her second husband, Ken, at a Santa Clara University Alumni reunion. He was a widower with four children, so they combined their families, although most of the children were grown. They moved into his home in Saratoga where they lived until 1997 when Jean and Ken moved to the Villages. He died in 2001 and Jean moved to SRC in April, 2014, back into her old neighborhood.

Meanwhile she has accumulated 18 grandchildren and 7 great grandchildren, with more on the way!

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