



Florence Blank

1923 - February 2, 2008

Florence was born and raised in Berkeley but lived in Santa Monica for most of high school before entering UC Berkeley, where she graduated with a degree in Psychology. There she met her husband, who became a CPA, and they were married in 1945. They stayed in the Bay Area: San Francisco, San Mateo and San Carlos. After their two girls were in school, Florence went back to San Francisco State College to get a teaching credential, was a home teacher for three years, and then taught math in elementary schools in Belmont for 25 years. She earned a Masters Degree in Teaching Mathematics at the University of Santa Clara. She also gave workshops for the National Council of Teachers of Mathematics.

Florence has been a widow for four years. One daughter lives in the East Bay and one in Southern California. She has three grandchildren and two great grandchildren. She enjoys sewing, knitting, puzzles, bridge, reading, walking and travel. She and her husband went on at least 40 Elderhostels as well as many other trips. She vividly remembers being in Western Samoa when hurricane Val hit in December, 1991. They were evacuated to Fiji where they spent a five day extension in a luxury resort. She also enjoyed visiting Colombia when her daughter was working there.