



Diane Talmadge
May 10, 1934 to June 12, 2017

Diane was born and grew up in Racine, Wisconsin and graduated from the University of Wisconsin with a BA in French and an MA in Russian. While there, she met her husband Kast, and they were married in 1957 in Australia where he had a Fulbright Fellowship at the University of Melbourne. They returned to Santa Monica, California and Diane got an MS in library science at UCLA. She worked there as a Slavic language librarian as well as at Purdue University and the University of Wisconsin.

Diane was also an accomplished ballet dancer, teacher and choreographer. They moved to Los Altos in 1966 and she served on the boards of the Menlo-Atherton branch of AAUW as well as the Stanford Museum of Art. She managed the Museum bookstore for four years and also volunteered as an art librarian and statistician for 15 years.

Diane and Kast enjoyed travel, especially driving through Spain and Portugal, taking river trips from Moscow to St. Petersburg, Brussels to Budapest. They also went 1,000 miles up the Amazon and through the Suez and Panama Canals. They enjoyed playing golf until recently. Among the first residents of SRC, they moved here in Dec. 2004.

Kast died in March 2014.