

Pearl Ward June 6, 1924 to October 3, 2022 (98)

Pearl was born in Raleigh County, West Virginia, one of six children. She graduated from Mark Twain High School and went on to Washington, DC where she got a job as a secretary in the Navy Department just after WWII. She met her husband, Emmet, there; he was an aeronautical engineer in an office near hers. They were married in 1949 and moved to Atlanta where he worked for Lockheed, which soon sent them to Los Angeles. From there they moved north and lived in Palo Alto, Los Altos and since 1968 in Cupertino. Pearl has three children, six grandchildren and two great grandchildren.

Her husband died in 1991, and Pearl moved from Cupertino to SRC in 2013.

Pearl worked for Saks Fifth Avenue in Palo Alto for nine years and also spent 13 years working as a secretary at Hewlett-Packard. Her hobbies were tennis, swimming, dancing and travel. She has long been a volunteer at the Senior Center and at her church. She still keeps up with reading, and she plans to travel to England next year to visit Hylton Castle and research family history, since her maiden name was Hylton. Some of her favorite travels were to visit Paris, Rome, Florence, Venice, Vienna, Prague. She loves living in this area with the ocean and mountains nearby and the beautiful trees everywhere.