



**Joy Drinker**  
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**Henry Drinker**  
**Died: May 4, 2024**

Joy was born in New Jersey but moved to Portland, Oregon as a child. She attended Mills College, majoring in philosophy. She met Henry at a Christmas dance in Portland, and they married in 1952. They have four children and four grandchildren.

Henry was born in Portland and came to Stanford in 1944. After one year of premed, he joined the US Merchant Marine as a purser. After the war he returned to finish premed at Stanford and then went to Medical School at Northwestern University. After a year internship, he served two years as a flight surgeon in the Air Force in Anchorage, Alaska. Henry and Joy then returned to Chicago where Henry spent four more years at Northwestern as a Urology resident. He practiced Urology at the Palo Alto Medical Clinic from 1959-63 and then went into private practice in San Jose. The Drinkers have lived on Fruitvale Ave. in Saratoga for 51 years before moving to SRC in June 2014.

Henry's interests are golf, which he still plays, finance and dominoes. He was president of the Santa Clara County Medical Association and the Northern California chapter of the American College of Surgeons. He also served with the Santa Clara County Emergency Preparedness team after 9/11. Joy worked for nine years at Project IDEA, an experimental program for deaf infants. In 1972 she was appointed to the State Board of Education where she served for nine years and was the first woman president. She also served on the Santa Clara County Grand Jury, and was foreman her second year. And she served on the board of Good Samaritan Hospital.

They both love to travel; their favorite trips were to China in 1978 and an African Safari. Joy has also gone with a friend to India, Bhutan, Iran and Egypt. They particularly enjoy renting houses with friends to stay in France, Italy and the UK.