



**Marianne Kerl**  
**Died December 23, 2023**

Marianne was born in Duesseldorf, Germany, but left as a child with her family in 1933 and came to New York. In 1939 she entered Vassar College, and her family moved to Sedro-Woolley, WA. She studied Modern European History and after graduation went on to UC Berkeley for her MA. At International House there she met her future husband, Walter, who was in the Army, studying Chinese. A few months after they were married, he was sent to China for two years. She went to join her parents in Sedro-Woolley where their first daughter was born.

After her husband returned from China following World War II, they moved to Campbell, CA. For the last 53 years they lived in Saratoga. Her husband retired from Lockheed in 1983. He is now in Assisted Living. They have three children, six grandchildren and five great grandchildren.

After her children were in school, Marianne was recruited to teach German and French at Saratoga High School, which she did for 17 years. After retiring, she taught English as a Second Language on a part-time basis. Marianne and Walter loved to hike in the mountains, and their favorite memories are treks in Nepal and Tibet in the Himalaya and in Peru and Ecuador in the Andes.

Walter died on April 22, 2013.