



Carl Schwarzer

April 20, 1917 - November 27, 2008



Fran Schwarzer

August 21, 1918 - December 22, 2009

Carl was born and raised in the San Francisco Bay Area. He had a job at a lumbering company in Westwood in northern California while quite young, before attending San Francisco State and UC Berkeley to study chemistry. Subsequently, he worked at Shell Oil in Emeryville for more than 30 years before joining Aerojet in Sacramento. He also worked for several years for the State developing a program in recycling and waste management.

Fran was born at Moses Lake, Washington but at an early age moved to the Bay Area. She and Carl were married in 1937 and have one son. Over the years they have lived in Walnut Creek, Cameron Park and most recently ran a mini farm in El Dorado on Highway 49. Fran was a homemaker as well as caring for her blind mother.

Both Carl and Fran speak of themselves as outdoor types. They fondly recall many backpacking trips in the High Sierra. Carl was active in the Sierra Club and led several high country trips. Since 1960 Carl has been an avid painter and some of his work is exhibited on the walls of their residence, here at SRC. At age 70 he took his grandson for a tour of China. Fran and Carl have fond memories of gardening and growing exotic fruits and flowers.