



Elizabeth "Betty" Cole

2/15/1927 to 8/17/2019

Betty was born in Charleston, SC and grew up in Savannah, GA. She graduated from the University of North Carolina at Greensboro, then a women's college, majoring in music. She met her husband, Charles, at a college dance when he was in the Marines, and they married in 1948. They were married for 62 years and had four daughters and five grandchildren.

Charles spent 20 years in the Marines and specialized in engineering research. He served in the Korean War as an electronics officer. During this time the family lived in VA, NC and CA. He came to Stanford in 1960, received a degree in mathematics and continued his career at the Stanford Electronics Laboratory and as an engineer at Stanford Research Institute. They lived in the Sharon Heights area of Menlo Park. Charles remodeled their house so Betty, a piano teacher, had a music room with three pianos that could seat 80 guests for recitals. Betty also sang with church choirs and Stanford groups.

Their favorite vacations were spent at the seashore on Figure Eight Island, NC where Betty could reunite with her twin sister and see all the East Coast relatives. Her husband died in 2010 and Betty moved to SRC in 2012 with just one piano!