



Geraldine May Starbuck

February 6, 1930 - September 1, 2019

The family of Geraldine May Starbuck (Gafford) 89, of Highland are deeply saddened to announce her passing on September 1, 2019 in Loma Linda, CA. Gerry was born to Walter and Helen Gafford (Richardson) on February 6, 1930 in San Bernardino , CA. She graduated from San Bernardino High School and San Bernardino Valley College. She met the love of her life, John R. Starbuck, in 1951 at a Sadie Hawkins dance at March Air Force Base. They were married on April 6, 1952 in Highland, CA. The couple had five children, nine grandchildren, and one great grandson.

Gerry was active in service organizations throughout her life. She was involved in Eastern Star, International Order of the Rainbow for Girls, AYSO, and the Highland Women's Club. She was trained to be her husband John's Deputy Federal Marshal's escort to assist him with female prisoners. She also worked as a teacher's aide for the Redlands School District. She enjoyed crafts, painting, sewing, baking, and raising her children and grandchildren to be loving people. She will be greatly missed by all who knew her. She is survived by her five children; Scott Starbuck (Betsy) of Highland, Susan Starbuck Huffman (John) of Vista, Stephanie Starbuck Bauer (Barry) of Garden Grove, Stacy Starbuck (Heidi) of Liberty Hill, Texas, and Sara Starbuck Jackson (Steve) of Highland; nine grandchildren, Ray (Gabby), Kate, Kyle, Megan, Michael, Aaron, Sho, Schelby, and Sienna; one great grandson, Troy. A celebration of Gerry's life will be held on Wednesday, October 16, 2019 at 11 am at Riverside National Cemetery, 22495 Van Buren Blvd., Riverside. Donations in lieu of flowers to the charity of your choice in Gerry's name would be appreciated. To leave a condolence on Gerry's Memorial Page, please visit www.bobbittchapel.com

Events

OCT **Committal Service** 11:01AM - 11:31AM

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Riverside National Cemetery

22495 Van Buren Blvd, Riverside, CA, US, 92518

Comments



“ My daughters (10 and 7) and I volunteer every Friday at Brightwater during the activities time, helping residents and talking with them. From the time we began coming (about 2 years ago), Gerry (or "Grandma Gerry" as she liked my girls to call her) was an instant favorite of ours. Her loving personality was infectious. She lit up telling us stories of her husband, how they met, their travels, and their kids. She was particularly proud of her grandkids and loved to tell us about each one: so proud of a grandson serving in the military, a granddaughter and her amazing Irish dancing, and another granddaughter's softball talents. We knew that she loved her family so much and was so proud of them. We loved her too! We miss her every week, as do her friends at Brightwater. What a special woman! We were blessed to know her, but are happy she is at rest and is in a better place with those she loves. Hugs and prayers to all her family.

Kim Bennie - September 21, 2019 at 02:54 PM