



Margaret Ann "Peggy" Jones

November 1, 1944 - October 10, 2024

Margaret Ann Jones (Peggy) passed away in Sonoma, CA on October 10, 2024 after a second battle with breast cancer. She was truly a warrior. Peggy was born in Chico, CA on November 1, 1944 to Joe and Virginia MacKinnon. She grew up on an Almond and Dairy farm in Chico with her parents and three other siblings. She attended Notre Dame Catholic School from Kindergarten through 12th grade and then attended Chico State University and studied education.

Peggy acquired her teaching credential and started her student teaching at Santa Rosa Middle School and Doyle Park Elementary School. She became a full-time teacher at Comstock Middle School in Santa Rosa, CA. Peggy was then asked to obtain a new, at the time, Special Education Credential, because the Santa Rosa School District wanted to start a Special Education Program at Comstock Middle School. Teaching during the day and attending Sonoma State University at night, Peggy obtained her Special Education Credential.

Both of her Teaching Credentials were life time credentials which she was very proud of. She created a Special Education program at Comstock. Her classroom was full of pets that helped the students focus. Peggy had fish, turtles, rats, mice, and snakes in her classroom. Peggy always said the custodians hated going into her room because of the snakes.

In the summer of 1970, through the Teacher's Union, Peggy was able to go on a month-long trip to Europe. Peggy said it was one of the best trips of her lifetime. While saving for her European adventure, she met the love of her life, Marshall Jones, who worked at Longs Drugs. Marshall and Peggy married in Reno, NV on December 15, 1970. Peggy became step-mother to Marshall's three children from a previous marriage. Marshall and Peggy had three sons of their own.

Marshall, Peggy, and the boys moved to Napa, CA when Marshall was promoted to Store Manager and transferred to the Vallejo Longs Drugs store.

Peggy resigned from teaching to be a stay-at-home mom. Even though Peggy was no longer teaching at a school, that didn't stop her from being a teacher. When her boys had tests, she would help them study by creating study guides and her own pretests. While Peggy's boys attended St. John's Catholic School she worked as a Yard Duty and Substitute Teacher. Her boys hated this because she always got to look in the teachers grade book when she substituted for their teachers. After St. Johns, Peggy went to work for Knights of Columbus Life Insurance as William Horton's Administrative Assistant for over 20 years.

Peggy loved to be outside and take part in outside activities. She camped, hiked, took part in a row boat race in the San Pablo Bay, walkathons for charity, and anything she could do with her family. Peggy had an uncanny ability to walk up to any animal. There wasn't an animal that did not like her. She was an amazing person who would do anything for her family, especially her boys.

Marshall and Peggy were married for 40 years and lived in Napa for over 30 years. After Marshall's passing, Peggy moved to Sonoma, CA.

Peggy is preceded in death by her parents, Joe and Virginia MacKinnon and her husband Marshall Jones. Peggy is survived by her brother Donald Mackinnon (Mary), sisters Virginia Marzan and Catheryn MacKinnon, her step-children Kim Sproat, Kathy Morris, and Kennan Jones, her sons Dan (Amy), Tyke (Aniko), and Sam (Lorin) Jones, her grandchildren Allison Rakitnichan, Amy Randel, Michael Morris, Dominic Eliason, Riley Jones, Leeann Jones, Madyson Jones, Christopher Jones, Journey Rose Jones, Marshall Jones, numerous nephews, nieces, cousins, and her 53 year old turtle, Snoopy.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations are preferred to By the Bay Health Hospice, 355 West Napa Street, Suite B, Sonoma, CA 95476.

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