



Elsie A. Thompson

February 12, 1924 - September 10, 2024

Elsie Alphonsa (Blazquez Rauhut) Thompson, 100, of Benicia, California passed away peacefully on September 10 due to natural causes.

Elsie was born February 11, 1924 in Oakland, CA and grew up in San Leandro, CA with 3 sisters and 1 brother in a proud Spanish immigrant household. She married her loving husband Herman in 1944 and had two daughters, Carole and Kim. In her early family life, she worked for Sears after raising her daughters and serving as the president of the school PTA numerous times. She had a variety of interests and hobbies including a love of reading historical fiction, watching sports (roller derby, 49ers football, and Warriors basketball), enjoying live music and dance performances, and had a true love of animals — especially dogs, hummingbirds, and elephants. Elsie enjoyed the finer things in life, including travel, dancing, beauty and self care, good food and wine.

After Herman unexpectedly passed away in 1982, Elsie was blessed to have met the second love of her life, Benjamin Thompson Jr. They were married for 30 years and were inseparable, enjoying their beloved city of Benicia together until Ben passed away in 2015 after a battle with cancer.

Elsie was everything to her family. She was a beautiful, strong, smart, and spunky woman who loved fiercely. Her purpose in life was to make her family

feel loved, important, and confident. And she succeeded. She will be missed dearly and her memory will live on in the hearts of her family.

Elsie is survived by her daughter, Kim Barragan, son-in-law, Tony Barragan, daughter Carole Parker, son-in-law Clay Parker, step-daughter Kathy Thompson, grandchildren: Emily (husband Carlos), Kellie, Leanne (husband Darryl), Jessica, Ryan (wife Karen), Desiree, Kaitlyn, Kyndra (husband Gary), Justin, and great-grandchildren Ashley, Bradley, Andrew, Nico, Aiden, Kaleb, Maya, Daniel, Dawson, Dylan, as well as great-great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by step-daughter Leslie Bettinelli.

The funeral service will be held on Saturday, September 28 at 11 a.m. PT at Passalacqua Funeral Home. All are welcome.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

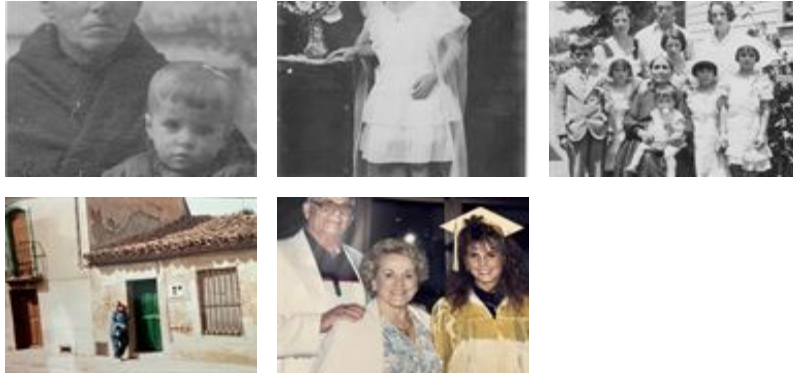
SEP **28**. 11:00 AM (PT)

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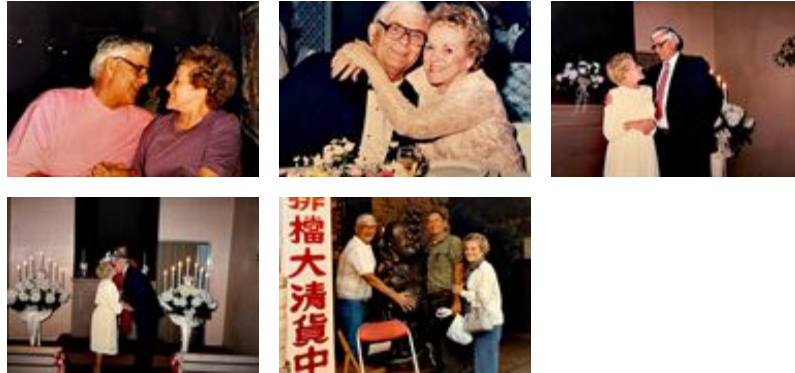
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“ Love forever and always, Cookie planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of *Elsie A. Thompson*.

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