



Joslin T. Stonewell

March 1, 1923 - January 3, 2017

Joslin (baptized Jocelyn) T. Stonewell passed away unexpectedly after a brief illness on Tuesday, January 3rd, in Kaiser Vallejo Hospital. She was born in the family home on Broadway, in New York City, daughter of Albert Charles and Inez Ethel Jackson Oakland. During high school, following the early deaths of her mother and father, Joslin moved to California with her grandmother. She lived most of her life in the San Francisco Bay Area, the past three decades in Benicia.

Joslin is alumna from the University of California class of 1948, majoring in Pre-Med and International Relations. She holds a Masters in Library Science from Berkeley, as well as three State of California Life Credentials in General Elementary, School Library, and as a Reading Specialist with a Reading Specialist Certificate from Holy Names University. Joslin was an educator for almost 50 years, retiring from the Moraga School District after more than 20 years, then spending almost another 20 years as a Reading Specialist for St. Vincent's School in Vallejo, where she retired in 2007.

Joslin enjoyed a life long love of traveling, music, animals (dogs in particular), and the outdoors, including ice skating, rock climbing, alpine and cross-country skiing. After graduation from Berkeley Joslin traveled extensively through Central and South America, hiking to Machu Picchu long before it became a popular destination. She had a wicked sense of humor and loved

puns – the worse they were, the better she liked them. Joslin is survived by her son Stephen Stonewell and her dog Layla.

Memorial services will be held 1:00 p.m., Saturday, January 28th, at Passalacqua Funeral Chapel in Benicia. Burial will be private at Mountain View Cemetery, Oakland. The family prefers donations in Joslin's name be sent to the American SPCA.

Tribute Wall



“ *Joslin T. Stonewell*

November 29, 2022 at 08:20 PM



“ *74 files added to the album Life Tributes*



Passalacqua Funeral Chapel - January 27, 2017 at 11:53 AM

MM

“ I've known Joslin since I was 19 years old. I am now 72. I wouldn't want it left out that Joslin was a deeply spiritual individual, always seeking truth, and always rising to any challenge before her, constantly seeking to put things in a positive light. She was far & away an incredibly enthusiastic person, always encouraging, and surprisingly athletic throughout most of her life. She was a committed friend. If you were blessed to have her friendship, you knew it was for life. Courageous is a word that ought not be left out. When life's vicissitudes or disappointments came along, she faced them head on, unwavering in her resolve to remain true to her commitments. A devoted single parent and an equally devoted friend. Blessed to be counted among her and her son, Stephen's friends.

Mark A. Miller

Mark A. Miller - January 25, 2017 at 04:11 PM

SV

“ One of the kindest, most thoughtful people I've known. Her amazing contributions to life have made a mark now and for a long time to come.

Sarah Vital - January 23, 2017 at 03:51 PM

SW

“ I knew Joslin for many years. We met as avid dog walkers in the open space of Benicia. I always enjoyed meeting up with her as she was a fiery spirit and a great conversationalist. After reading her obituary, I realized I didn't know what a fascinating life she led. Don't worry Joslin; I'm sure there are dogs in heaven!

Scott Waldon - January 21, 2017 at 02:47 PM