



Theresa "Terry" Steele

December 13, 1927 - June 22, 2020

Theresa "Terry" Steele, 92, of Benicia CA passed away peacefully June 22, 2020. She was born 1927 in Barnesboro PA to the late John Breusco & Elizabeth Kovach Orosz, Hungarian immigrants. In the 1950's, Terry moved to San Francisco where she met her late husband, Wallace William Steele, to whom she was married for 62 years. The couple built a summer home in Lake Almanor Country Club in the 60's. They spent every summer there until 2016.

Terry renewed her nursing credential and secured a Masters in elementary education in CA. In 1985, she retired from Mt Diablo Unified School district where she taught for 25 years. Those who worked closely with her shared that she was a 'real firecracker' and a great cook. She routinely brought that potluck dish that everyone wanted the recipe for.

Reared in a farming community, Terry was well versed in plant propagation and designed landscaping for their six homes. She was in her yard every weekend pruning & weeding. Upon her retirement, she expanded her efforts assisting the City by planting shrubs & flowers along the curbside of her court.

Terry is survived by two daughters: Sherrill Steele Lange and Debra Leah Steele Johnson, and her two grandsons Travis and Austin Steele Johnson.

At her request, no services will be held. If you wish to stop and pay respects,

she rejoined Wally in Sacramento Valley National Cemetery, Area 7 #158 in
Dixon CA.

Tribute Wall



“ Theresa "Terry" Steele

November 29, 2022 at 08:20 PM



“ We enjoyed having Terry and Wally as neighbors for 15 years. Life will not be the same with the loss of Terry and Wally, who passed a few years ago. Terry was amazingly full of energy and took care of the very large home and yard. She painted the front door during the last week of her life. Little did I know when I took her a box of strawberries three days before she passed that this would be the last time I would see her. We were blessed to get to know her two lovely daughters and share out deepest condolences to them.

David and Kimi Dowell

David Dowell - July 19, 2020 at 07:39 PM



I'm so sorry to hear the passing of Terry I did her ad Wally's hair for at least 25 years. I so much enjoyed the two of them they each had their own distinctive personality. Terry always had a new medical advice for me or some recipe. Of Wally came in with one of his famous jokes, making all the ladies laugh. The both of them brought me many years of joy, It was such an honor to have known them. My deepest Sympathy to the both of you girls

Ruth Ann Fletcher

Ruth Fletcher - July 28, 2020 at 08:46 PM



Hi Ruthie (that's what my Dad called you) Thanks for your note. They loved going to see you. My Mom frequently talked about bringing you and your clients puzzles. She thought that was a hoot. Dad was just glad for an audience.

sherri lange - August 02, 2020 at 08:17 PM

VA

Shay & Deb, Thank you for your lovely note. What started as a business for your Dad helping us with our flute & piccolo and then to move on to me helping him with his computer issues, turned into a great friendship over many years. Our trip to the lake with our son is a memory for us to remember. Wally was amazing and we loved his jokes. Terry had such a knowledge for life and shared her gardening skills during our visits. Know they will always be a part of our family and loved dearly. Virginia (Frosty) & Rudy Arias & Family

Virginia Arias - January 28, 2021 at 10:40 AM