



## Alice Brady Buckles

July 6, 1925 - January 27, 2022

Services are pending. please check back

# Previous Events

## Funeral Mass

FEB **23**. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (PT)

St. Norbert Catholic Church  
300 E. Taft Street  
Orange, CA 92865

# Tribute Wall

“ February 23, 2022

*Alice Buckles eulogy*

*It's an honor to talk to you for a few minutes about our mom.....*

*Alice Brady was born in the little town of Aspenwall, Iowa on July 6th 1925. She was one of 5 kids, with two sisters and two brothers. Members of the ever waning Greatest Generation.*

*Alice left Iowa as a young lady to go to Denver to attend nursing school and begin her career in nursing.*

*Her hobbies included singing and playing the piano – I remember sitting in the congregation at church and could always pick out her voice as the most beautifully distinctive one in the choir. (She even recorded a 45 record once).*

*She also loved ballroom dancing, which led to her meeting and marrying Lyle Buckles. Their 3 kids – Mark, Kathy and me are here to honor mom's memory today with you.*

*Mom worked nights as a nurse so she could provide a stable family life for us kids without reliance on child care. And having that very portable career was a great help to our Dad, who in pursuit of his own career, moved the family from Colorado to California and eventually to Nebraska to realize his dream of operating his own business. Mom continued her career there, teaching nursing at a local college.*

*When Lyle died in 1982, mom moved back to California.*

*Then retired, mom loved living in Carbon Canyon, watching nature, the views, great weather and collecting the forest of plants she enjoyed caring for. What a green thumb she had!*

*Alice loved to travel and took many trips with her old friends both around the US and internationally. If you needed evidence of her travels, you just had to look at her collection of refrigerator magnets and gift shop nick nacks!*

*When mom and Kathy took a trip to Hawaii years ago, I recommended that they climb Diamond Head crater because the view was so spectacular once up there. Well, she never let me forget how sore her muscles were for days after.*

*I will always be indebted to mom for the help she gave to me and her grandson, Ryan. After my divorce and trying to maintain a relationship with my son, mom spent many years coming to Illinois to care for Ryan when he visited me during summer vacation, or took him back with her to California so I could still work and travel. Alice was the glue that held the family together, from the frequent phone calls to keep everyone updated on family happenings to the holiday gatherings for dinner around her dining room table.*

*One of her great pleasures was helping to put up her Christmas decorations after thanksgiving and then watching the lights come on every night during the season.*

*Mom was a good natured soul who loved her catholic faith and engaging with people. She was almost always smiling and took an interest in what the family and friends were doing. Even late in life when she was having trouble getting around and couldn't hear or see very well, she made the best of it and enthusiastically enjoyed our company.*

*She had a great sense of humor and could find levity in almost any situation or story. And boy did she love to laugh.*

*My lasting memories of mom are pretty simple: a hard-working, person of faith and strength who never waned in her support or love of her family, and who soldiered on, even when the daily routine became a burden to deal with.*

*Goodbye mom, I will miss our 10am phone calls on Sundays and holiday visits. You will always be loved, missed by us all, and always in our hearts.*

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**David Buckles** - March 02, 2022 at 10:38 AM