



Florence "Flo" Boxley

November 12, 1925 - June 15, 2020

Florence was a true California native. Born in Los Angeles November 12, 1925 and passing away June 25, 2020 in Anaheim California. She would reflect on her 94 years stating "We have been so fortunate to have such a good life".

Although she lived in Ohio and Utah for part of her early life, she took pride in being a native Californian born in Los Angeles and living in East Los Angeles, Monterey Park, La Crescenta, Hemet and Anaheim.

As a young adult she was a fantastic talented swimmer, training with potential Olympians at the Los Angeles Coliseum swim stadium. If circumstances were different she would have been an Olympic competitor. She continued to swim whenever possible through most of her Eighties.

I believe the tragic death of her baby brother when she was quite young gave her a special ability to connection with people as well as the compassion needed to become a good nurse.

She was the go to person in the neighborhood for medical and even veterinarian advice. Doling out information and treatments for children, adults and pets. Addressing diverse maladies as varied as childhood diseases and injured pets. She dedicated her working years to emergency department nursing in Los Angeles and retired as a Los Angeles City employee.

As a nurse she met Clarence (Kurt) Boxley who would become her spouse. They traveled through life's experiences together for over 70 years. She was the mother of five children, Curtis, Christine, Cheryl, Mary and Patricia. She taught her children the importance of honesty, the importance of hard work, to respect everyone and that bigotry was evil and not acceptable under any circumstance.

She was the super mom before it was fashionable, working and taking care of five children and hosting fabulous holiday feasts. She loved spending time with grand kids and visits from family. After retiring she enjoyed traveling around the world to places as diversified as Egypt, Europe, Australia, China and Viet Nam.

She will be held dearly in our hearts and memories with love.

Cemetery Details

Riverside National Cemetery

22495 Van Buren Blvd
Riverside, CA 92518

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

JUL 21. 9:30 AM - 10:00 AM (PT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Reflecting on Memories created a Tribute Video in memory of Florence "Flo" Boxley*



Reflecting on Memories - July 17, 2020 at 10:24 PM

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Grandma, beautiful inside and out. I miss you so.

Michelle Cochran - August 06, 2020 at 11:52 AM



“ *2 files added to the album Memorial Service Album*



Reflecting on Memories - July 24, 2020 at 03:25 PM



“ *1 file added to the album Celebration of Life Riverside VA Cemetery*



Reflecting on Memories - July 24, 2020 at 03:23 PM



“ 15 files added to the album *Memorial Service Album*



Reflecting on Memories - July 22, 2020 at 11:47 AM



“ 29 files added to the album *Boxley Memories Album*



Reflecting on Memories - July 20, 2020 at 09:44 AM

CI

“ So many memories.....

Getting my hair cut when I was 4-5 years old by my 4 4 year old friend...it made you cry. I was rather proud of it.....

Teaching me to drive a stick shift.....ah, patience.....

You nursed a nasty wound on a tomcat (Butchie) that we ended up adopting.

You threw dinner plates at Curtis and Dennis Croll in the front yard when they went a little too far teasing the younger sisters.

You took up scuba diving in your fifties. I believe the final exam for certification was a beach dive fighting the surf on a Southern California beach.

Always strong, adventurous and compassionate.....

Cheryl Ibarra - July 18, 2020 at 01:12 PM