

Judith Ann Blomquist

1942 - 2025

Judy passed away peacefully on March 14, 2025, with family at her bedside, at the age of 82. She was born in Hanna, Wyoming, where her father worked in the Union Pacific coal mine. The family relocated to Southern California that summer because of concerns about mine accidents, moving on to the Sacramento area in 1954. She graduated from San Juan H.S. in 1960. Judy completed her college education at California Lutheran



in 1964 with a degree in English Lit and Elementary Ed. She taught first grade for 23 years and was a kindergarten aide for five years. At the end of each day, she gave each student either a handshake or a hug, which was the student's choice based on the kind of day they had had. She was a beloved teacher with many parents and students maintaining contact for years.

She was an active member of the Fair Oaks Women's Thursday Club where she served as Ms. Sunshine, sending get well and sympathy cards to those who were ill or had lost someone special. As a member of the Fair Oaks Historical Society, she served on the Meeting Hosts committee for 10 years, setting up, arranging food, and cleaning up after the four quarterly potluck meetings.

She had also been a member of the Fair Oaks Presbyterian Church since 1976.

She was known by all as a kind, caring, and loving person, who put others first. As one colleague put it, "She was beyond special". She is survived by her husband of 60 years, Warren; daughter, Nikki; son, Nils; daughter-in-law, Marla; and grandchildren, A.J. and Elise. She was preceded in death by her father and mother, Gust and Francis Westberg; her sister, Nancy; and brother-in-law, Ray Hicks. She is greatly missed by all who knew her.

Her favorite pastimes were taking care of grandchildren, family activities, gardening, baking, and reading. She lovingly made wonderful ice cream rolls for family birthday celebrations and kept family memories alive with all her photo albums. Her colorful flowerpots in the yard will be greatly missed.

A Celebration of Life service will be held May 2nd at 11:00 a.m. at Fair Oaks Church (formerly Fair Oaks Presbyterian) in Fair Oaks. In lieu of flowers, remembrances may be sent to the American Heart Association, Snowline Hospice, or Fair Oaks Women's Thursday Club.