



Francisca G. Middleton

January 15, 1928 - May 3, 2009 A third generation Californian, Fran was born to Gertrude and Herbert Middleton and grew up in San Francisco. After earning her bachelor's degree at UC Berkeley in International Relations, she graduated with her teaching credential from Lone Mountain College and later earned a Masters Degree from Dominican College in San Rafael. She worked in the San Francisco Unified School District for 33 years as a classroom teacher and in Resource and Staff Development. When she retired from teaching, she moved to Mill Valley where she lived for 28 years, and began a volunteer career with "Senior Net", a non-profit group whose mission it was to bring computer technology into the lives of seniors. Always a teacher and a student, Fran traveled extensively to all of Western Europe and the Orient, often enrolling in studies abroad, most recently at Oxford. She especially enjoyed visiting her "adopted" family in Maggia, Switzerland and returned to Rome and Vatican City many times. Fran took an active role in her church, Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church, Mill Valley, working in the Lector program, Renew Program, and producing the Parish directory. Fran leaves many adoring cousins and a local network of friends at the Redwoods in Mill Valley and surrounding areas. We will all miss her love, wit, energy and support. Visitation will be held Thursday, May 7, 2009 from 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church, 3 Oakdale Ave., Mill Valley, CA. Funeral Mass will begin at 11:30 a.m. at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church. Interment will be private at Tulocay Cemetery in Napa. Memorial contributions may be made to Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church. Arrangements under the direction of ADOBE CREEK FUNERAL HOME, 331 Lakeville St. Petaluma, CA 94952. CHEDA & LYONS - Directors 707-789-9000