



Mary DeLucchi

December 15, 1923 - December 30, 2012

Mary O. DeLucchi, age 89 died peacefully in her sleep, at her home in the Niles District of Fremont on December 30, 2012.

She was born Mary O. McNeil on December 15, 1923 in San Francisco three months after her father, Henry J. McNeil died. She grew up in San Francisco with her mother, Mary Anna (nee: Cattich) and her step-father John J. Tarabochia, who adopted her. The Tarabochia family subsequently moved to Oakland, where she graduated from St Elizabeth High School.

Mary met her future husband Ray while she was visiting cousins in Chico. Mary and Ray were married at St Louis Bertrand's Catholic Church in Oakland on March 11, 1944. During WWII she worked for William Randolph Hearst's Post Enquirer in Oakland.

After the war, the couple bought their first home in Ashland. As a true matriarch, Mary partnered with her husband Ray in the family business, originally DeLucchi Well Boring Company. The company became DeLucchi Well & Pump Company after they moved to Hayward where they lived from 1951 to 1968, when they moved to Niles. After their retirement Mary and Ray moved to Phoenix Arizona in 1991. Here they built their dream home. The inseparable couple was fondly known by family and friends as 'Doc & Doc'.

Mary and Ray DeLucchi were the owners of Rancho Arroyo De La Alameda from 1979 to 2002. The ranch encompassed much of the hill property from Hayward through Union City to Fremont. They were instrumental in a major renovation of the giant Niles sign that is still seen on the hill-face above the vintage village.

Mary was preceded in death by her husband, Ramon DeLucchi and her son, Anthony (Tony) DeLucchi.

She is survived by her sons John DeLucchi and his wife Shirley; Steven DeLucchi and his wife Bobbie Reid; Christopher DeLucchi and his wife Jeanne; Peter DeLucchi and his wife Jamie and daughter Tina DeLucchi and her husband Ray Houghton.

She is also survived by her grandchildren Dolores Loll, Paul DeLucchi, Danielle Wright, Michael DeLucchi, Sean Crawford, Kira Crawford and great-granddaughters Avery Loll and Natalie DeLucchi.

Mary's brother Henry Tarabochia and his wife Mary; step-brother John Tara; sister Thelma Gianunzio and her husband Jerry; and sister-in-law Lillian Reininger and her husband Alvin survive her as well.

A memorial service celebrating the life of Mary DeLucchi will be held on Saturday, February 2, 11a.m. at Fremont Memorial Chapel, 3723 Peralta Blvd., Fremont, CA 94536. Reverend Ken Daigle of Fremont Unity Church in Niles will lead the invocation.

Rather than flowers the family requests donations be made to Hospice. Contact Sutter Care at Home, 1900 Powell St. Suite #300, Emeryville, CA 94608 or visit www.SutterCareAtHome.org

Tribute Wall

TR

“ Our hearts are with Steven and Bobbie and all we have yet to meet. Our prayers are for all.

Tom & Sandy Reid - February 01, 2013 at 12:00 AM

MB

“ Mrs. "D" Its been such a pleasure knowing you these past 40 years. You truly were a fighter and matriarch in your family. Our condolences to the entire Delucchi family especially our good friends Steve and Bobbie. We love you. RIP Mrs. "D"

Mirna and Stephen Bowman - January 30, 2013 at 12:00 AM

LH

“ Our heartfelt sympathy to the DeLucchi Family. I know the emptyness you feel when you loose a parent, expecially your mother. Mary is with God and her beloved husband now and the pain is gone. So sorry I cannot be there for the memorial service, but my thoughts and prayers are with you.

Lois Hampton

Niki Hampton

Bob Petsche

Lois Hampton - January 29, 2013 at 12:00 AM

MK

“ *I am sympathetic to the loss of Your Mother and Grandmother Mary. She was a sweet lady who raised a fine family. Her legacy will live on for many generations to come through all your life blood. We now have another sweet Guardian Angel who lives on in her new life with Jesus and all those that have gone heavenly before her.*

We are extending sweet thoughts and prayers to you and know that fond memories of Mary will help sustain all of the Delucchi family at this time.

We will be attending the service on the 2nd.

Love

Darrell & Deborah Klug

Mr & Mrs Klug - January 19, 2013 at 12:00 AM