



Anne Carolyn Bonacich

December 12, 1923 - September 23, 2014

Life-long Visalian, Anne Carolyn Bonacich, died peacefully in her home on September 23 at the age of 90 years. Anne was one of the six children of Christine and John Steinhilber, who immigrated to America from Russia in 1914. The young couple moved to Visalia in 1920 and Anne was born on December 12, 1923. She grew up on the Steinhilber ranch property, attended Linwood School and graduated from Visalia Union High School. She married Bruno Bonacich, a local jeweler and businessman, on June 25, 1949 and they shared 54 years of marriage until Bruno's death in 2003. Anne assisted Bruno operate his jewelry stores and served as store bookkeeper. The location of their last store, Bon Bros. Jewelers at 204 West Main Street, is still marked by the historic street clock that was purchased by the Bonacich brothers. When Bruno sold the store and retired, Anne decided to continue her career, first as a teller at Security First National Bank, and later as a fine jewelry specialist at Gottschalk's Department Store. She enjoyed the work and the friendships she built with many of her loyal customers. Anne retired at age 82. Anne's passions were family, cooking and gardening. She cared for her husband at home during his long illness. Anne was a charter member of Christ Lutheran Church and stayed an active member for over 50 years. She served as treasurer of the American Lutheran Church Women and in her last years was an active member of the church quilting circle. Anne is survived by her daughter, Nancy Bonacich Howe; her son-in-law, John Howe; granddaughter, Elizabeth Dane Howe; and

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Blake Howe and his wife Inessa Bazayev, and great-granddaughter, Olivia. A Celebration of Life will be held at Christ Lutheran Church on Saturday, October 4, at 10:00 am. Donations in memory of Anne may be made to Christ Lutheran Church, Celebration of Life.

Cemetery Details

Visalia Public Cemetery

1300 W. Goshen Ave.
Visalia, CA 93291
visaliacemetery@aol.com
<http://www.visaliacem.org/>

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

OCT 4. 10:00 AM (PT)

Christ Lutheran Church
3830 W Tulare Ave
Visalia, CA 93277
(559) 732-1851
office@clcvisalia.org
<http://www.clcvisalia.org/>

Tribute Wall

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“ Anne, I will always remember you. You were a very nice, caring, generous and loving person. I will remember your love of gardening, making cookies and sharing them with family and friends, trips to favorite restaurants, watching the cooking shows and our trips to Gottschalks for their sales. I am happy we had you here for a long time and we will miss you very much. I know you are in a better place...with the Lord and all our loved ones....love and prayers,
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