



## Bonnie Lois Schwab

April 6, 1934 - June 3, 2022

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Bonnie Springer Schwab was born to Iva and James Springer in Chandler, Oklahoma in 1934. The family, including Bonnie and her older brothers Jay and Jack, soon moved on to California where they settled in the Central Valley and worked the fields around Corcoran and Stratford. Bonnie joined the Air Force in 1952, then met and married Gerald Schwab Sr. in Utah in 1953.

Bonnie and Gerald settled at first in New York City as they began their family, and made many other places their home - New Jersey; Huntington Beach, California and Fremont, California among them - before settling in Visalia, near where Bonnie grew up. Roots were important to her. Bonnie's extensive research into her family's genealogy resulted in hundreds of years of ancestors being uncovered, an entire history revealed due to her persistence. And she got involved in the community as a reserve Sheriff's Deputy in Tulare County, and helped countless people as a volunteer for the county's Rape Crisis Team.

While raising her six children, Bonnie became a prolific artist, working in multiple mediums. From quilting and oil painting to embroidery, sewing and

even dollmaking, she truly loved creating with her hands and passed that love onto many of her children. She had a strong connection to Depression-era arts, crafts, and music, from collecting Depression glass to her love of Dorothea Lange and bluegrass like the O' Brother Where Art Thou soundtrack. Art was her outlet until the end of her life.

Bonnie Schwab is preceded in death by her parents and brothers, and her husband Gerald Saul Schwab Sr. as well. She leaves a large family behind. Children Kathlene, Lynn, Deborah, Renee, Stacy and Gerald Jr.; grandchildren Christine, Taryn, Mara, Eric, Randy, Haylie and Megan; and 8 great-grandchildren. The family would like to thank Ardent Hospice Care and the staff at Casa Grande Assisted Living for caring so kindly for Bonnie in her last weeks. We are very grateful. A private gathering will be held. In lieu of flowers please send donations to Family Services of Tulare County at [www.FS TC.net](http://www.FS TC.net)

Services have been entrusted to Salser & Dillard Funeral Chapel. Memorial Tributes and condolences may be offered by logging onto [www.salseranddillard.com](http://www.salseranddillard.com).

# Tribute Wall

SC

“ I absolutely adored Bonnie and providing care for her here at CG was an Honor. I enjoyed our conversations, being able to make her laugh and sketching with her. She loved Japanese drawings and I drew her one along with a dragon and gifted her a stairway to heaven angel sketch. She taught me alot as a Caregiver. Forever Bonnie I will with hold her memory and a spacial place in my heart. May God have her in his Holy Glory. Amen.

Sue CV - June 20, 2022 at 11:26 AM

DS

“ Love this picture of four generations. Taryn. Mom. Me and Lexi. Love you mom



Deborah Sparshott - June 15, 2022 at 11:34 AM

CM

Great picture

Charise Martinez - June 17, 2022 at 11:41 PM

RH

“ I was Bonnie's nurse Rebecca .I'm am going to miss her saying hi to her and talking to her and helping her with her daily routines.she was such a lovely painter and person and I enjoyed being her nurse.miss you and love you Bonnie forever in my heart

Rebecca Hernandez - June 14, 2022 at 04:19 PM

TG

*Thank you Rebecca for taking such great care of my grandma.*

**Taryn giotta** - June 15, 2022 at 12:11 AM

SS

*Thank you, Rebecca*

**Stacy Schwab** - June 15, 2022 at 10:37 PM

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“ *Air Force 1952*



**Stacy Schwab** - June 14, 2022 at 10:32 AM