



## Leatrice Carol Dotters

October 12, 1925 - November 8, 2024

Leatrice Carol Dotters passed away November 8, 2024.

Lea was born on October 12, 1925, in Bakersfield, CA. to Coy and Alice Evinger.

Lea graduated from East Bakersfield High School in 1942. She grew up with a sense of adventure and a "can do" attitude. Many summers spent in the White River and Kernville communities of the Sierra Nevada Mountains nurtured her lifelong love for the mountain life.

Soon after graduating from high school, she volunteered with the Aircraft Warning Service (AWS) administered by the Army Air Forces Ground Observer Corps. She was trained to identify aircraft and report possible enemy aircraft. After her time with AWS, she found herself working for the U.S. Forest Service atop the Buck Rock fire lookout, located in the Sequoia National Forest. She continued to work for the Forest Service during the war years. At war's end, she met a lumberman, Donald Dotters, whom she married in 1949. Don and Lea were married 66 years until his passing in 2015. They were residents of Visalia since 1957 where they raised their family and attended First Presbyterian Church.

Lea is survived by a daughter Joan Arnold and sons Donald (Susan) and Dick (Cindy). She was preceded in death by her husband Don and daughter Carolyn (David) Magana. She is also survived by ten grandchildren, 21 great grandchildren and one great great grandchild

Our heartfelt thanks to her friends and staff at Quail Park where she resided

the past two years.

A service and celebration of her life will be Friday January 17th, at 12:00 pm that will be held at the 210 Cafe and the address is 210 W Center, Visalia 93291

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).

# Previous Events

## Celebration

JAN 17. 12:00 PM.

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