



Christel E. Frank

December 24, 1921 - December 28, 2013

Christel Elizabeth Frank, 92, "Oma" to all her friends and family, passed away early Saturday morning at her home surrounded by her family. She was born in Petersdorf, Germany and immigrated to the United States with her husband and five children in 1956. They lived in Idaho for several years, where their youngest child, David was born before finally settling in Vallejo in 1964. She celebrated her birthday, anniversary & Christmas Eve just 4 days before she passed.

Christel was a homemaker, mother, wife, grandmother, great grandmother and an awesome cook, carrying on the family traditions of cooking German food. She, as one of her grandchildren said "was the definition of courage and strength" and "was the strongest woman I have ever known".

She is survived by her children Hannah Houtz, Dorothea Frank, Hilde Stanton, Christina Swann, Harry (Edith) Frank & David (Therese) Frank; sister Gertrude Kurth; 9 grandchildren and 6 great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband Erich Frank in 2005, her son-in-law Dr. Eric Swann M.D. last year and her dog Minnie.

Memorial services will be held 2:00 p.m. Friday at Twin Chapels Mortuary.