



Joan Lee Olivero

July 11, 1940 - May 22, 2026

Joan Lee Olivero, 85, passed away Friday in El Cerrito with family by her side.

Joan was born on July 11, 1940, in Oakland, California, to Ralph L. and Esther A. Knight. She lived in the area her entire life and graduated from El Cerrito High School in 1958. After graduation, Joan worked in the banking industry for more than 25 years. In 1961, she married the love of her life, Jerry Olivero, and together they raised three children: Jerry, Jill, and Julie.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Jerry; her daughter in-law, Nora; and her sister in-law, Patricia Olivero.

Survivors include her son, Jerry (Agnese) Olivero; daughters, Jill (David) Kenney and Julie (Chad) Blakeman; grandchildren, Amanda (John) Hassell, Andrew (Sherrin) Olivero, Ashley (Chelsey) Crawford, Seve (Julia) Kenney, Anthony (Gabriela) Olivero, Shelby Kenney, Kyle (Tristen) Blakeman, Sean Kenney, Sidney Kenney, Ryan (Sophia) Blakeman, Jessica Blakeman; great grandchildren, Henry, Nora, George, Enzo, Jaxon, AJ, Carson, Ario, Ava, Able and Bo; sister, Judy Armstrong; nephews, David Olivero, Ed Armsrong; and nieces, Linda Puglesi and Lynn Giblin.

A mass of Christian Burial will be held 11:00 AM Monday June 15, at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church, 11150 San Pablo Ave., El Cerrito. Entombment

will immediately follow at St. Joseph's Catholic Cemetery, San Pablo.

In lieu of flowers the family requests a donation made in Joan's name to either Vitas Healthcare or American Cancer Society.

Cemetery Details

St. Joseph's Cemetery

2560 Church Lane
San Pablo, CA 94806

Previous Events

Funeral Mass

JUN 15. 11:00 AM (PT)

St. John the Baptist Catholic Church
11150 San Pablo Ave.
El Cerrito, CA 94530

Committal Service

JUN 15. 12:30 PM (PT)

St. Joseph's Cemetery
2560 Church Lane
San Pablo, CA 94806

Tribute Wall



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Joan Lee Olivero.*



June 13 at 08:25 PM



“ *Julie and family, I'm so sorry for the loss of Joan. Growing up, she was one of my favorite people. May she rest in peace.*

Nancy (Corniola) Widener

Nancy (Corniola) Widener - June 08 at 07:45 AM



“ *Fun times with Mrs. O at both St John's and Presentation. She cheered on our volleyball with gusto. Best memories of the Olivero family. My son graduates from college on 6/15 so I will not be able to attend her service. Know that I am thinking of you all. --Teresa Bolla*

Teresa Bollat - May 28 at 12:19 AM