



Mary Ann Duncan

July 8, 1922 - September 28, 2014

Mary Ann Duncan, 92, passed away at Regent Court on September 28. She had moved to Corvallis in 2011 from Carmel Valley, CA to be close to her son, Bob, and his family. Mary Ann was born in Monroe, WI July 8, 1922, to Louis and Maud Kohli. She was the youngest child, lost her mother at age 13, and was then raised by her father and older sister, Margaret. She completed teacher training in physical education at the University of Wisconsin during WWII, then taught at Iowa State University. There she met her future husband, David Duncan, an Australian who came to the U.S. after military service to study agricultural statistics. Mary Ann followed David to Australia, where they married February 28, 1948, and lived at Coogee Beach in Sydney, NSW.

They returned to the U.S. for David's academic career and lived in Virginia, Florida, North Carolina and Maryland, where they raised three children. Throughout her life Mary Ann excelled at individual sports such as tennis, golf and swimming. She taught physical education to university students at Towson University, coached varsity tennis and golf, and enjoyed competitive club tennis. Mary Ann was also a great lover of music, playing woodwind instruments in school bands and university orchestra. She supported local performance groups and volunteered with several Bach festivals. Mary Ann was a member of the DAR. In retirement years she and David moved to Carmel Valley, CA, where they lived for 25 years and traveled to Australia, Europe, and to visit her children and grandchildren in the U.S.

Mary Ann was pre-deceased by her husband, David, her brother, John, and her sister, Margaret. She is survived by son Bob Duncan (and wife Sally), of Corvallis, son George Duncan, of Baltimore, daughter Margaret Lane (and husband Dick), currently living in Brisbane, Australia, and grandchildren Ross (and wife Lindsey), Moya, Katie, Alison, Rachel, Garrett and Graham.