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March 11, 1928 - November 17, 2014 Resided in Orinda

Joan Donovan Zappettini was graced by a peaceful passing on Monday, November 17, 2014, in her home, surrounded by her loving family after 86 years of a blessed life. Joan was born to Genevieve Morgan Donovan and Augustine Michael Donovan on March 11, 1928. She was raised in Oakland and graduated from Stanford University in 1950 with a Bachelors Degree in Art. She married Donald Merrill Zappettini in 1951 and they resided in Orinda, CA, for 59 years. Joan is remembered for being a devoted mother to her 4 daughters, Mary Anne Stilwill (Frank) of McCall, ID, Carol Marie Zappettini (deceased), Isabella Donna Zappettini of Oceanside, CA, and Gail Elizabeth Pearson (Todd) of Lafayette, CA, and for being a loving grandmother to her grandson, Jeremy Zappettini Pearson (age 11).

A Mass of Christian Burial was held on Monday, November 24, 2014 at St. Monica Catholic Church, Moraga. Graveside services for both Joan and Don were held the same day at Mountain View Cemetery, Oakland.

In lieu of flowers, donations in Joan's name may be sent to Sutter Care At Home Gift Processing (hospice services), 2855 Telegraph Avenue, Suite 601, Berkeley, CA 94705, (800) 698-1273, the Association of Christian Therapists, 6728 Old Mclean Village Dr., Mclean, VA, 22301, San

Francisco Opera, Development Department, 301 Van Ness Ave., San Francisco, CA 94102, (415) 565-3212, and Second Chance Recovery Center, 107 Jackson St., Hayward, CA, 94544, (510) 886-8696.

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