

Elizabeth Walker, 69

March 29, 1936 - March 18, 2006

SANTA ROSA, CA — Elizabeth (Liz) J. Walker was born March 29, 1936, in Harlan, to Jens and Margaret Jensen. She chose a career in elementary education and received a teacher certification from Morningside College, Sioux City, and later a BA from the University of Jacksonville (Florida). Frequent moves associated with her husband's military career resulted in Liz teaching in eight states. Subsequent to his Navy retirement, they moved to Sonoma County in 1988 and she completed her career in education at JX Wilson School in Santa Rosa, CA. Her involvement in the community included serving as a Navy/Marine Corps Relief Counselor and delivering Meals on Wheels to shut ins. She played the French horn in the Lake County (Illinois) Philharmonic and later, in the Healdsburg Community Band. While in Santa Rosa, she was a docent at Luther Burbank Home and Gardens, participated in the Literacy Program and was an active volunteer. She died March 18, 2006, at her home after an extended period with brain cancer at age 69.



Liz was preceded in death by an older sister, Marie. Marie's sons, Jim and Duane were reared by Liz's parents. She is survived by her husband of 46 years, Captain Samuel J. Walker, USN-Retired of Santa Rosa, CA; one sister, Catherine Hansen (Ed) of Harlan; a daughter, Michele Meyer of West Linn, OR; and a son, John Walker (Lisa); three grandsons, Jens, Samuel and Benjamin; and two granddaughters, Monet and Elizabeth. She is also survived by two brothers-in-law, Tom Walker (Sandy) of Harlan and Herbert Mengwasser of Harlan; one sister-in-law, Linda Kohle (Clyde) of Audubon; as well as 14 nieces and nephews.

A celebration of life service will be held at First Congregational U.C.C. Church in Santa Rosa, CA, April 8, 2006. Arrangements by Santa Rosa Mortuary Eggen & Lance Chapel