



Lorraine Anne Brugman

July 28, 1929 - January 1, 2008

OXNARD, CALIFORNIA -- Lorraine Anne Brugman, 78, of Oxnard, California, passed away on January 1, 2008, at Shoreline Care Center in Oxnard following complications of an illness.

Lorraine was born on July 28, 1929, in Jersey City, NJ. She raised four children and was happily a stay-at-home mom. She enjoyed cooking and loved the times spent camping with her family. She was a determined, free spirited individual and very independent. She was the first among her peers in 1949 to obtain her driver's license.

She was immensely proud to become an LPN and graduated with top honors in her class while in her forties. She loved nursing and spent 21 years at Wayne General Hospital in Wayne, NJ. She was also very proud of her children and always fostered the idea that anything is achievable if you put the effort into it. She was practical in her approach in everything in life and was grateful for whatever she had. Through life's struggles, she maintained a strong will and a sense of humor. She volunteered at the Fitzgerald Senior Center in Thousand Oaks, CA, after her retirement, not to mention a lifetime of volunteering in hospitals and community programs. She flew to Georgia to provide and assist care to her grandson, David Newey, who was born a "preemie" at only 4lbs., 5oz. She provided respite care to her daughter, Marie, during her courageous battle with breast cancer. Her kind and generous heart,

along with her strength to face adversities, is how she will be lovingly remembered.

Lorraine is survived by two daughters, Elizabeth "Bette" Guerin and husband, Ronald, of Colebrook, and Jeanie Newey of Lilburn, GA; her son, David Doughty and wife, Vivian, of Long Beach, CA; grandsons, Jason Heller of Somis, CA (her little guardian), Matthew and Thomas Doughty of Long Beach, CA, Jonathan and David Newey of Demorest, GA; her son-in-law, Dr. Marc Heller of Thousand Oaks, CA; her sister, Mildred Finley and husband, David; and numerous nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her daughter, Marie C. Heller, who passed away on May 30, 1999.